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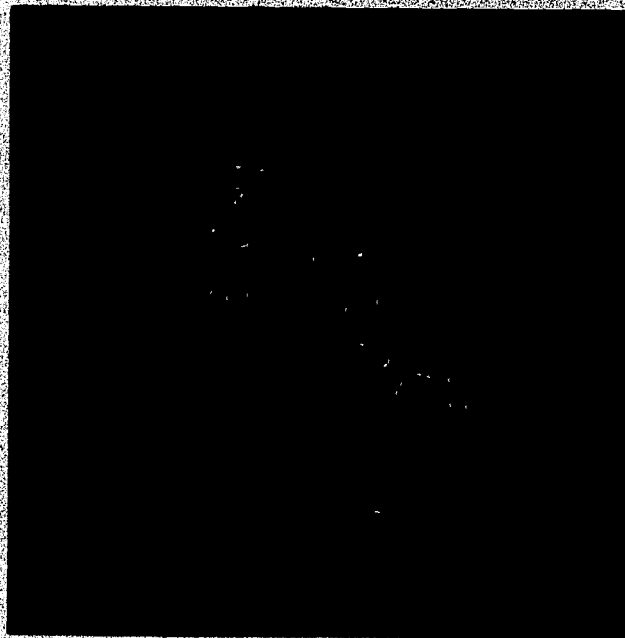
ABSTRACT

These 51 charts outline the general educational structure of each state and the District of Columbia. The charts identify elementary, secondary, and postsecondary state-level boards, chief state school officers, and local structures, as well as institutional boards. The relationships between these entities are also indicated. Where possible the size of board, the methods of selection, and terms of officers are shown. The boards are also identified as governing, coordinating, advisory, or supervisory. A basic chart form is used to insure some uniformity. (Author/KE)

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EDUCATIONAL STRUCTURES OF THE 50 STATES

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— Preface —

This paper is part of a substantial amount of research work which was defined and solicited by the Governor's Commission on the Structure and Governance of Education in Maryland (the Rosenberg Commission) from many scholarly people working throughout the Maryland system of education.

The work on this paper was done jointly by the Maryland State Department of Education and the Commission's staff, with the cooperation of many people in each of the 50 states and the District of Columbia. The contribution of Dr. Melvin Self, a consultant in the Special Projects Unit of the Maryland State Department of Education, to this document is acknowledged and appreciated. In addition, previous research by J. L. Zwingle in *State Boards Responsible for Higher Education 1970*, and Sam P. Harris in *State Departments of Education, State Boards of Education, and Chief State School Officers*, greatly aided in the compilation of information in this publication. (These two documents are available from the U. S. Government Printing Office; Public Documents Departments; Washington, D. C. 20402.)

This publication briefly outlines the educational structures in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. The organizational chart form restricted the amount of information that could be used. Also, because changes in educational structure are constantly being made, some information may be obsolete.

The chart form was selected to allow simple comparisons to be made quickly between different state structures. The Rosenberg Commission felt compelled to study other states' educational structures. An efficient way of accomplishing this objective was to prepare the material presented in this publication. It is hoped that the content will prove helpful to other states engaged in studies similar to that now occurring in Maryland. However, the Commission does not at this time advocate one structural form over any other.

Harry L. Phillips
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and Governance of Education.

EDUCATIONAL STRUCTURES OF THE 50 STATES

In the following 51 charts (the District of Columbia was also included) an attempt was made to outline the general educational structure of each of the 50 states. The charts identify both elementary, secondary and post secondary state-level boards, chief state school officers, and local structures, as well as institutional boards. The relationships between these entities are also indicated. Where possible the size of board, the methods of selection, and terms of offices are shown. The boards are also identified as governing, coordinating, advisory, or supervisory.

In order to insure some uniformity, a basic chart form was adopted. It is realized that this form may have caused some structural outlines to become somewhat contrived. However, uniformity was felt to be a necessity to facilitate easy and quick comparisons.

Because of the limits of space, the internal organization of departments of education and staffing patterns of other boards are not indicated in this publication. There was also no analysis made of information collected.

While every attempt was made to insure accuracy, the rapidly changing status of some school structures requires periodic updating of some of the information. Also, while it is felt that this publication fills an important void of identifying the different structures, it is also believed a national organization should take on this project on an annual basis, expanding it to include internal organizational structure and analysis of content.

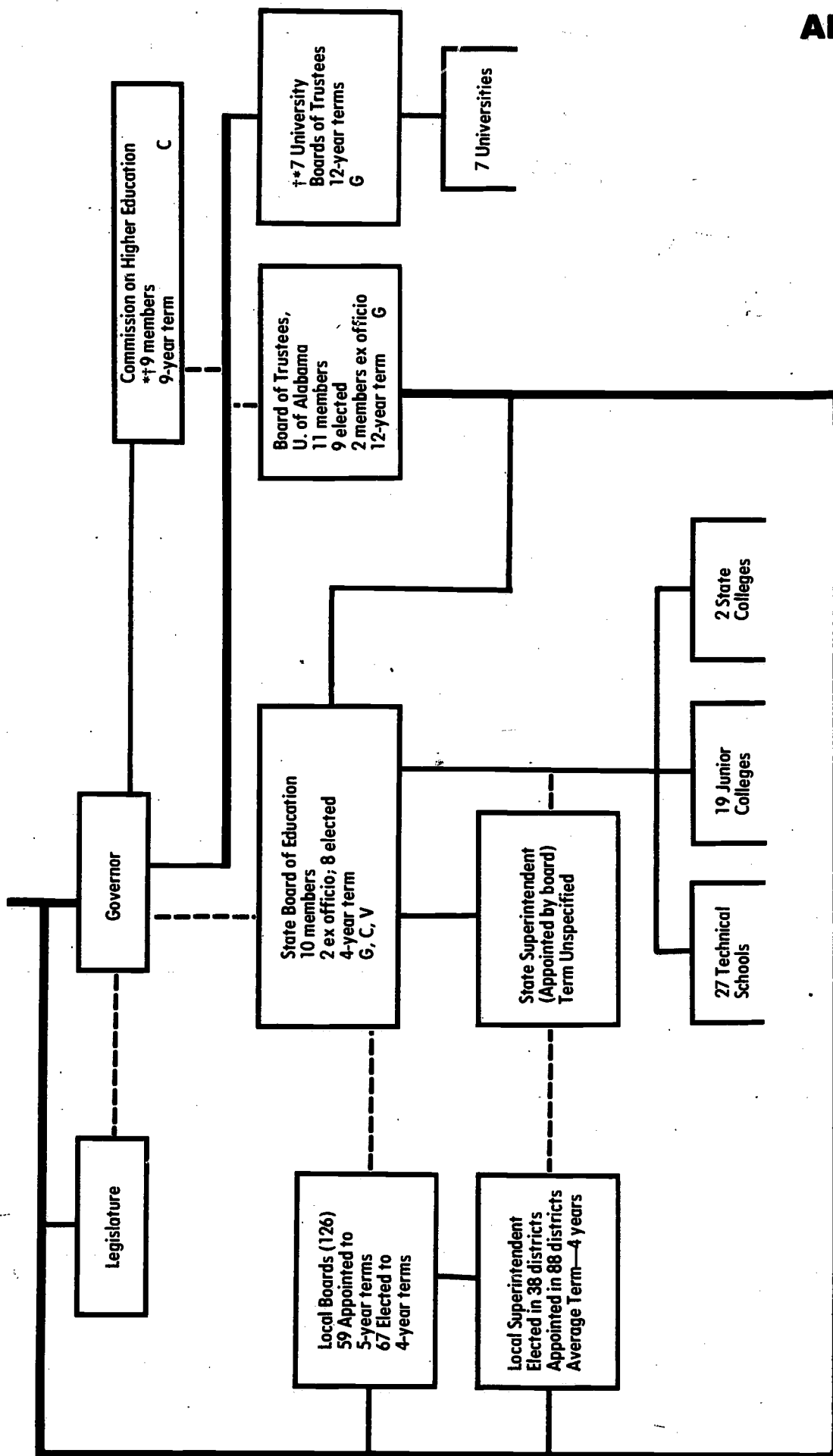
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ALABAMA

Post Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Elementary and Secondary Education



† Appointed by Governor

* Approved by Senate

C—Coordinating board

G—Governing board

V—Serves as State Bd. for Voc. Ed.

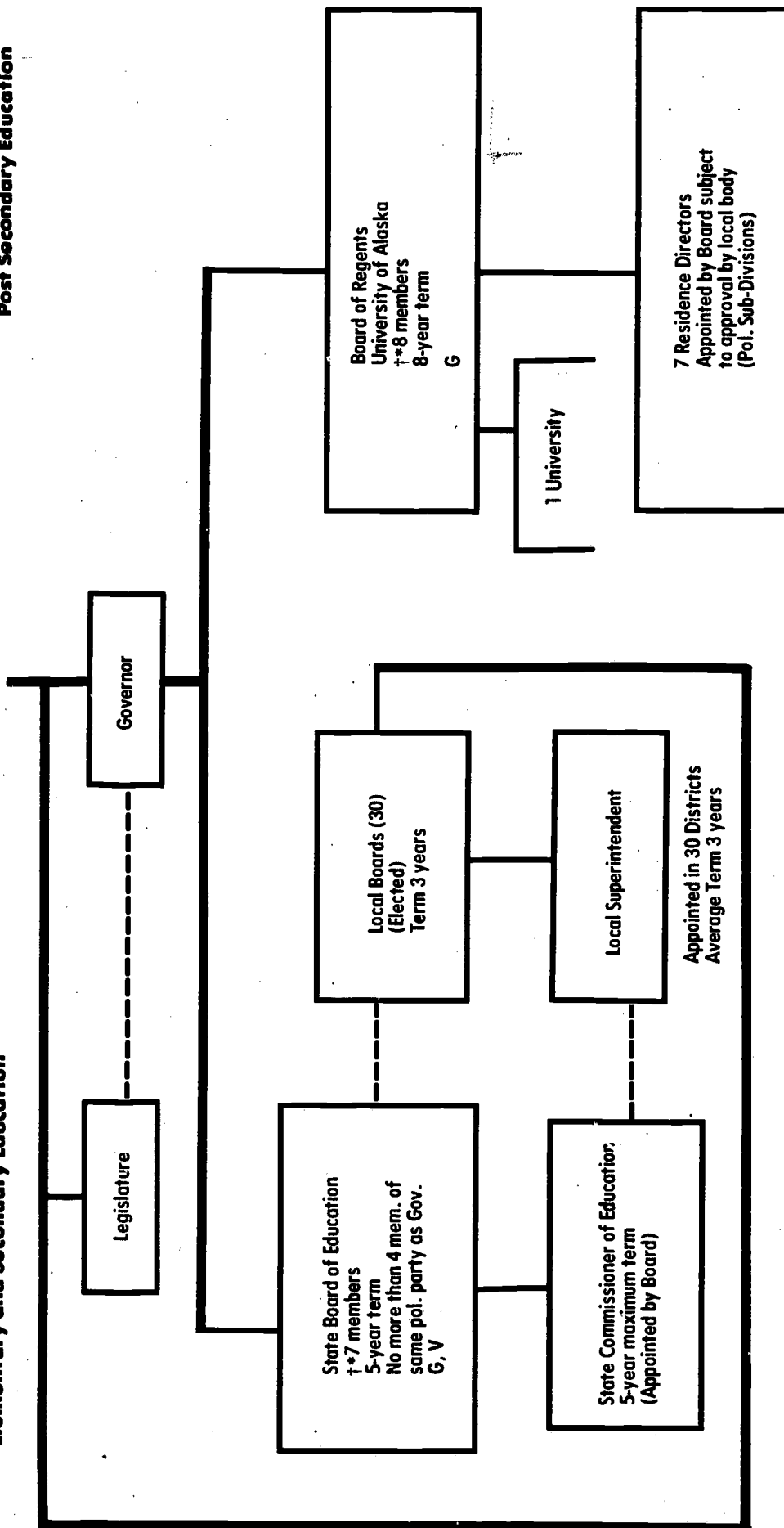
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Post Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Elementary and Secondary Education



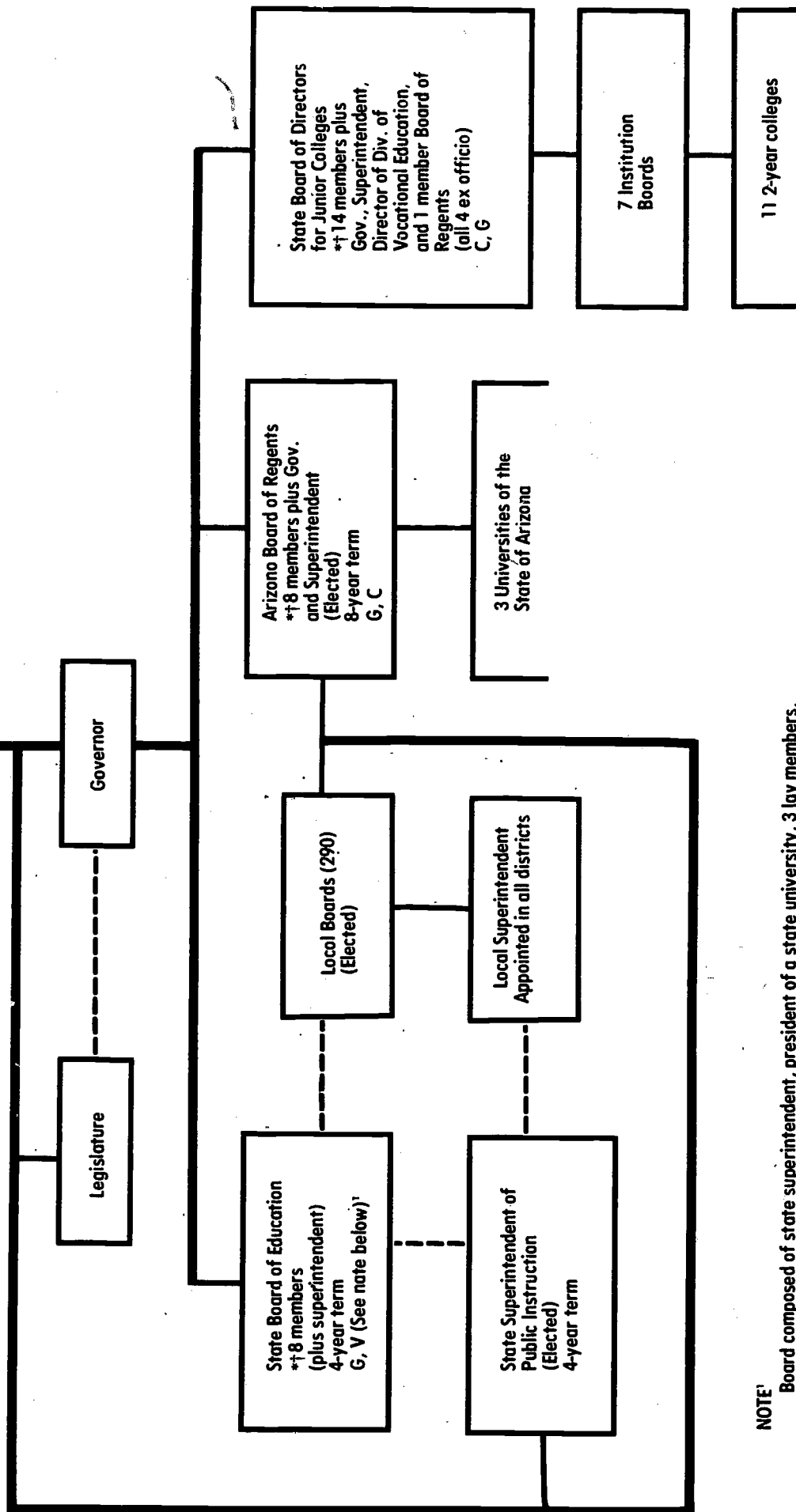
G—Governing Board
V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Ed.
† Appointed by Governor
* Confirmed by Legislature

ARIZONA

Elementary and Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Post Secondary Education



NOTE:

Board composed of state superintendent, president of a state university, 3 lay members, a member of the state junior college board, a superintendent of a local high school district, a classroom teacher, and a county school superintendent.

C—Coordinating Board

G—Governing Board

V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education

* Senate confirms

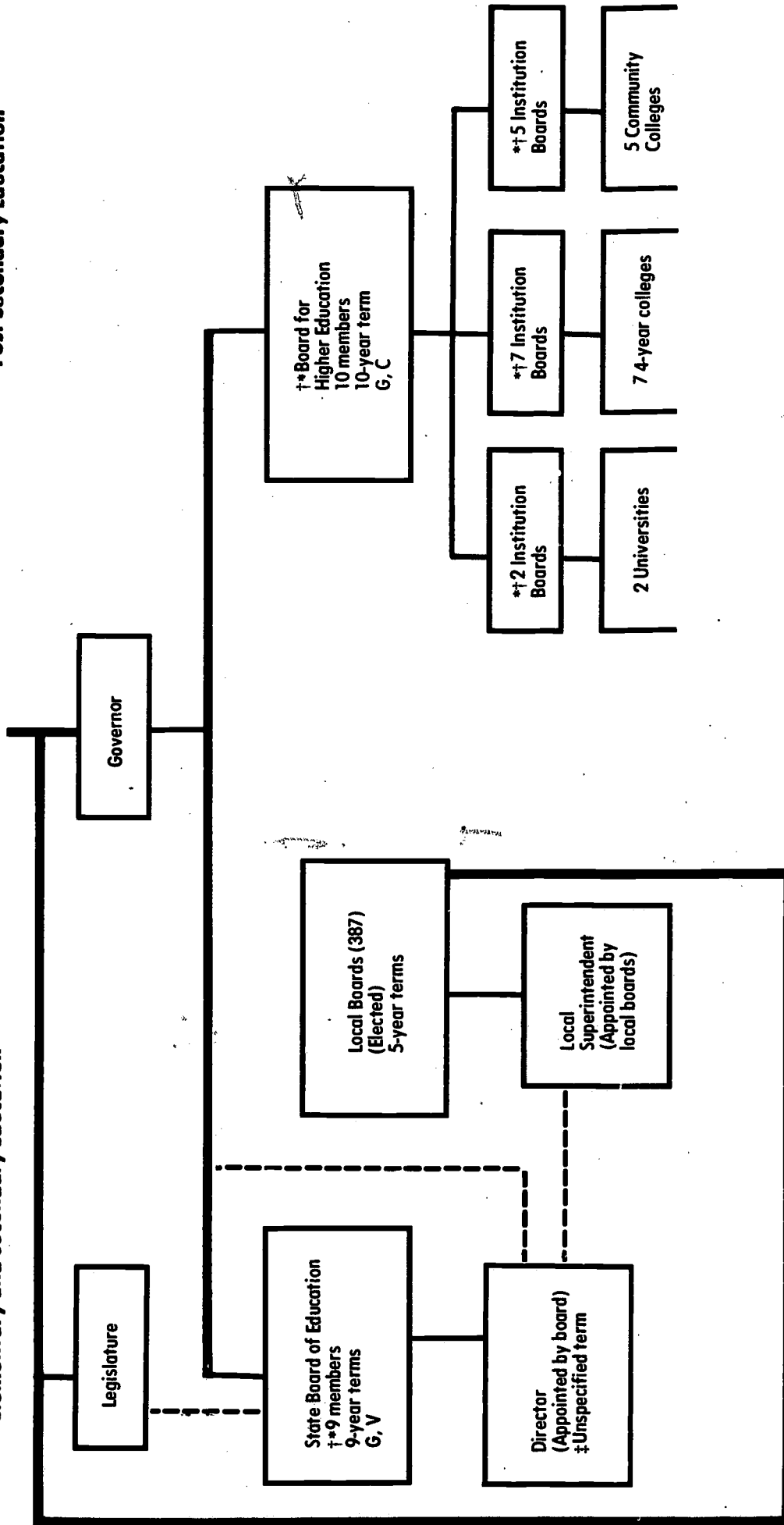
† State Board Members Appointed by Governor

ARKANSAS

Post Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Elementary and Secondary Education



ARKANSAS

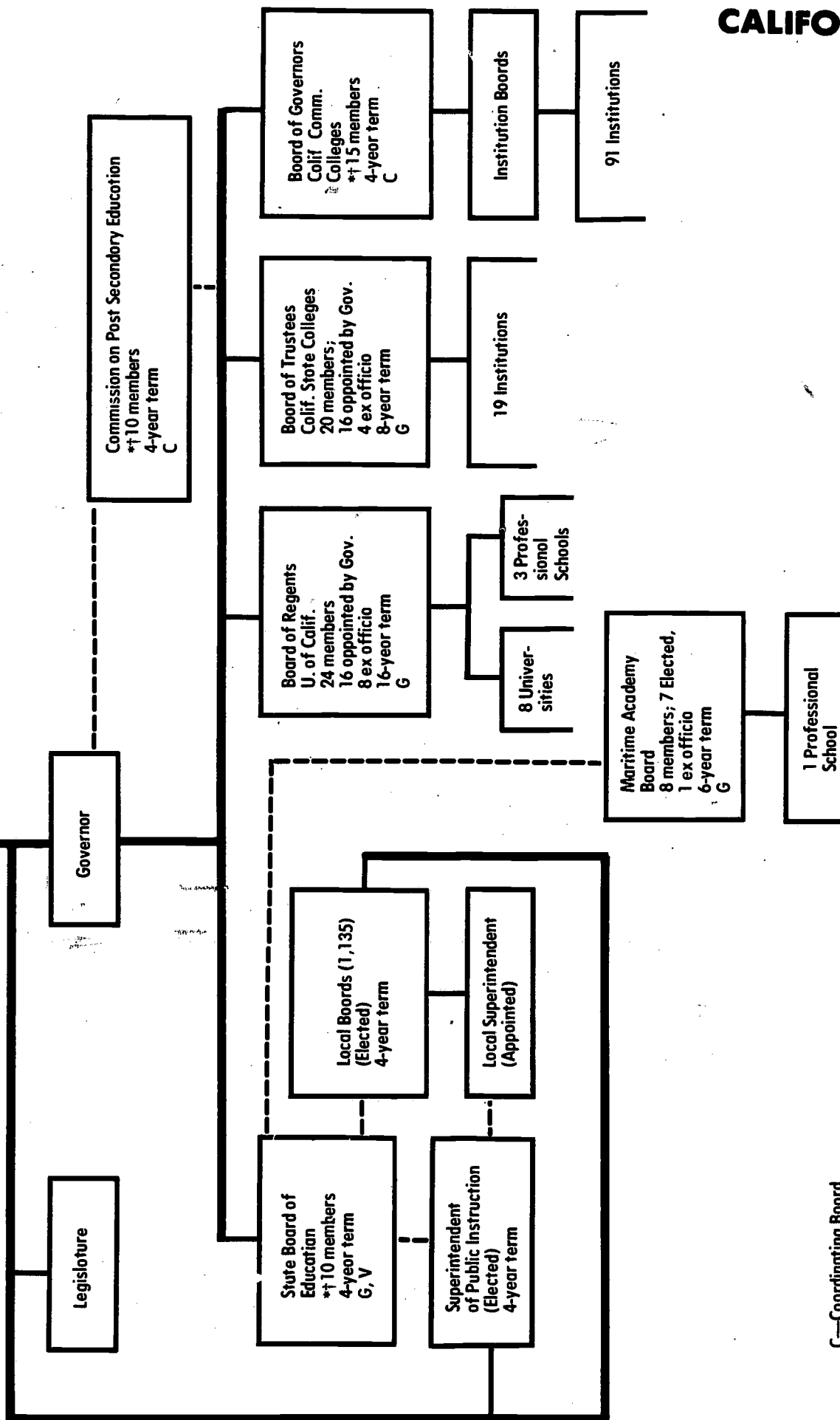
- ‡ Serves at pleasure of Governor
- * Confirmed by Senate
- † Appointed by Governor
- V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education
- G—Governing Board
- C—Coordinating Board

CALIFORNIA

Elementary and Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Post Secondary Education



CALIFORNIA

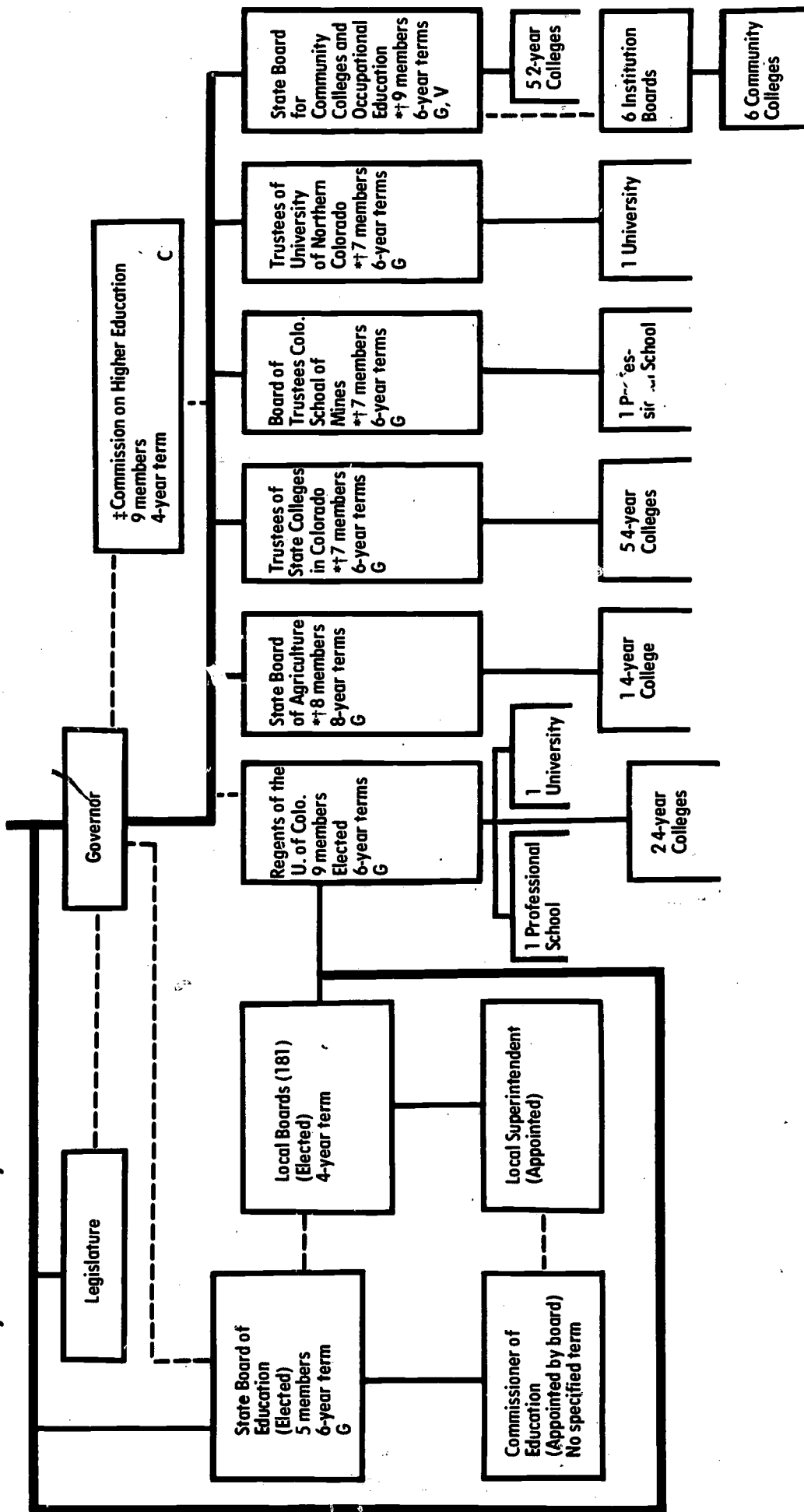
C—Coordinating Board
G—Governing Board
V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education
† Appointed by Governor
* Confirmed by Senate

COLORADO

Post Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Elementary and Secondary Education



COLORADO

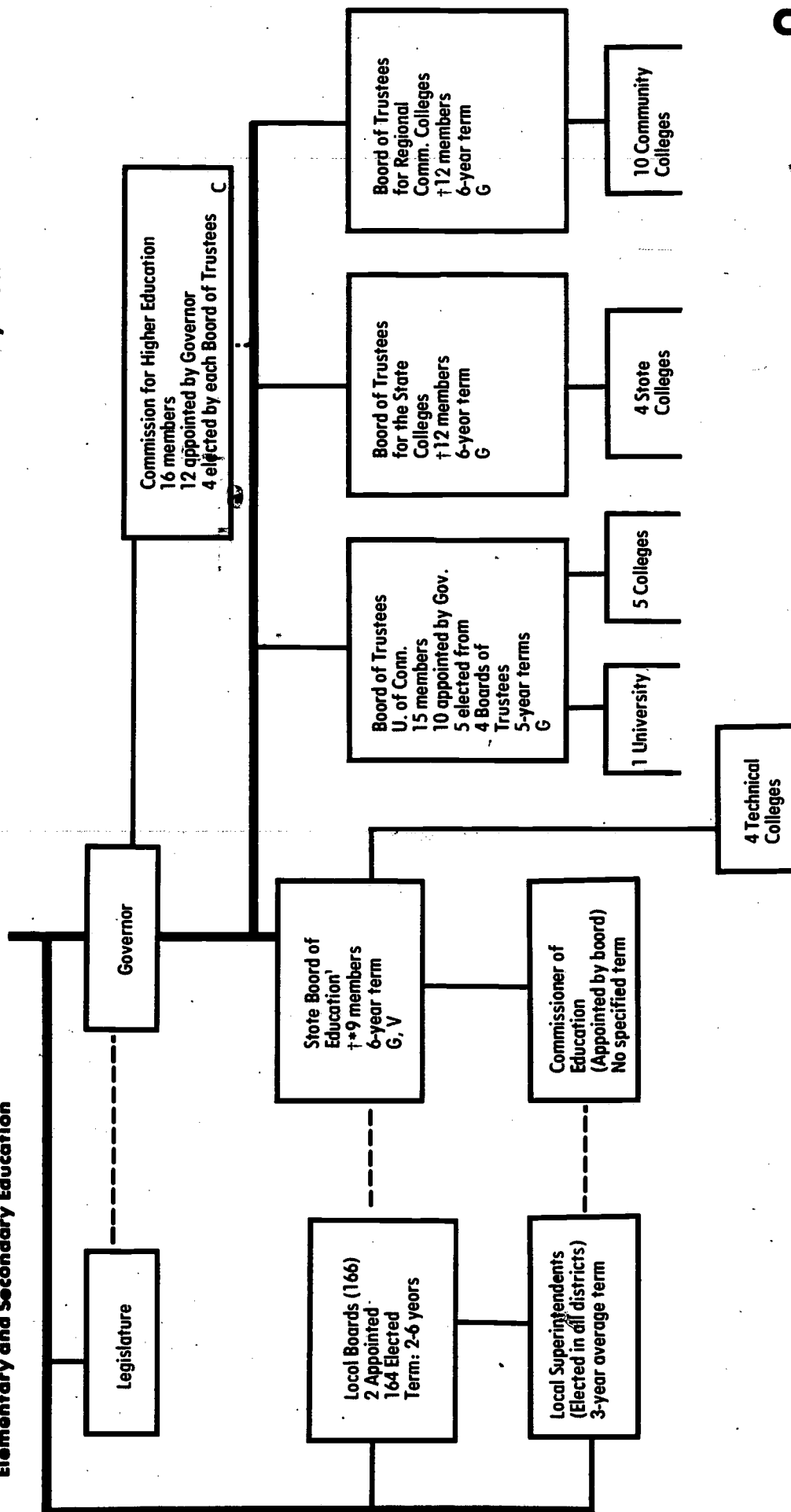
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 * Confirmed by Senate
 G—Governing board
 V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education

CONNECTICUT

Post Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Elementary and Secondary Education

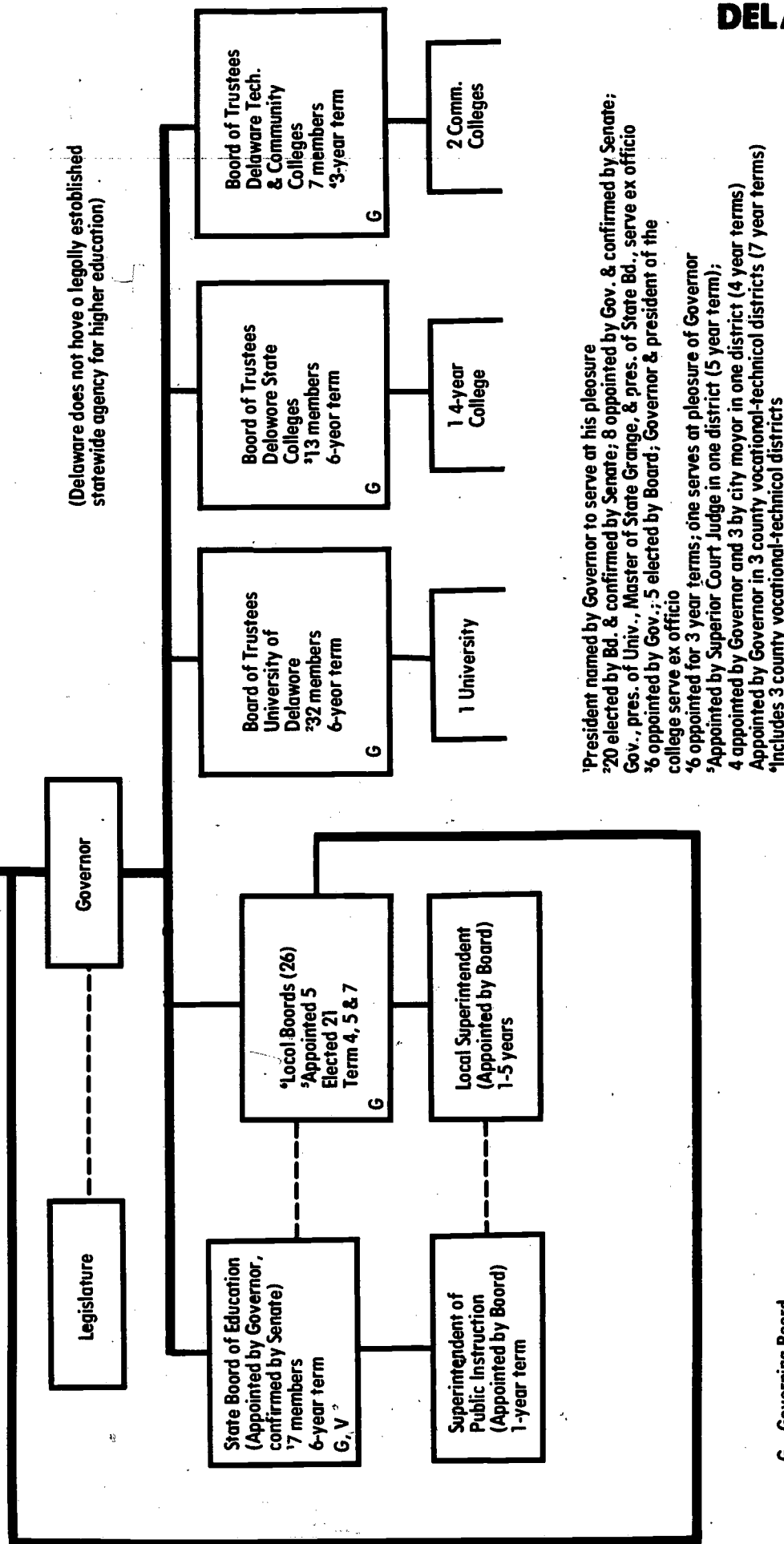


- [†] Appointed by Governor
- [†]Serves as Board of Trustees of the State Technical Colleges
- G—Governing board
- C—Coordinating board
- V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education

DELAWARE

Elementary and Secondary Education

Post Secondary Education



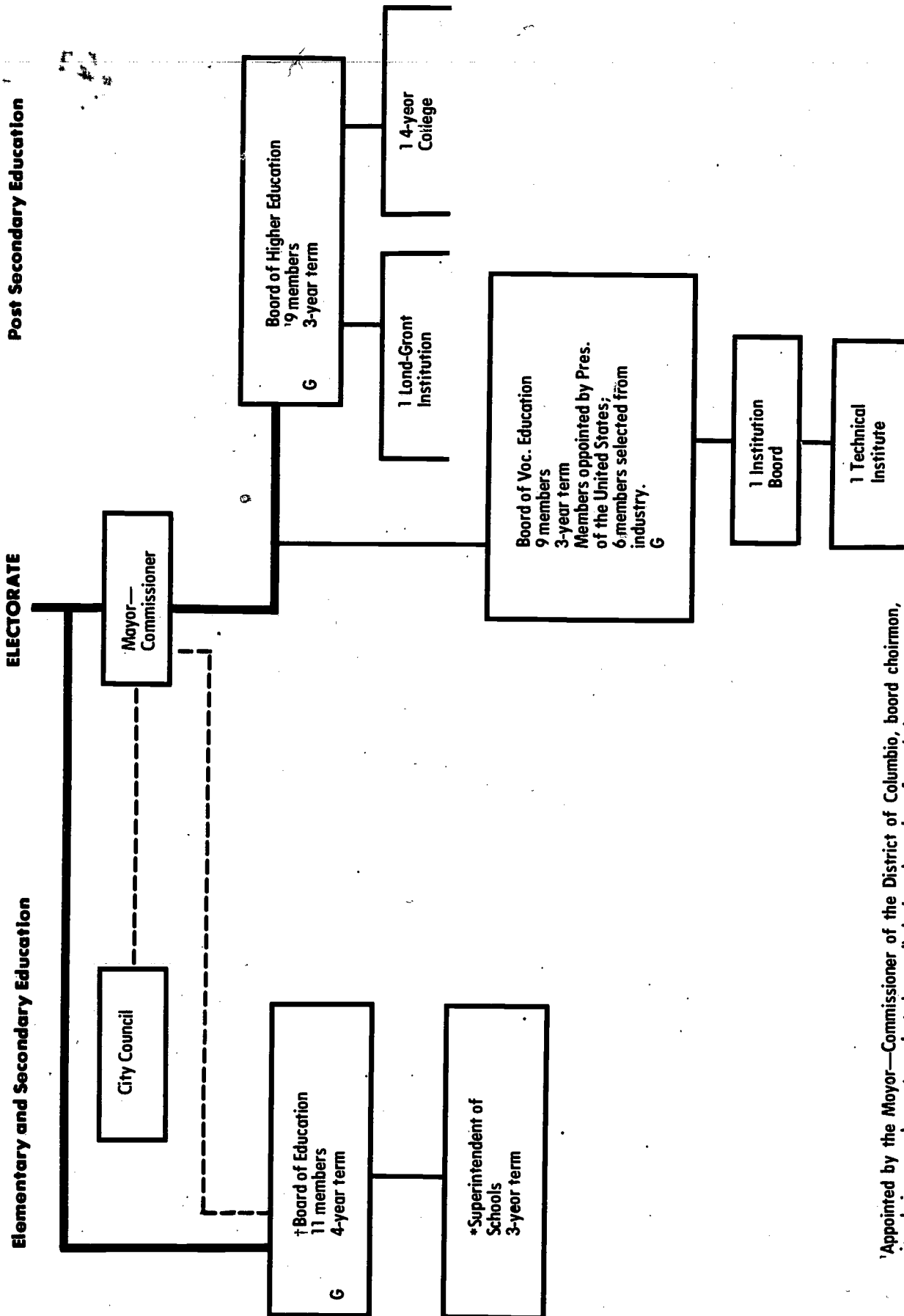
G—Governing Board
V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education

- ¹President named by Governor to serve at his pleasure
- ²20 elected by Bd. & confirmed by Senate; 8 appointed by Gov. & confirmed by Senate; Gov., pres. of Univ., Master of State Grange, & pres. of State Bd., serve ex officio
- ³6 appointed by Gov.; 5 elected by Board; Governor & president of the college serve ex officio
- ⁴6 appointed for 3 year terms; one serves at pleasure of Governor
- ⁵Appointed by Superior Court Judge in one district (5 year term);
- ⁶4 appointed by Governor and 3 by city mayor in one district (4 year terms)
- ⁷Appointed by Governor in 3 county vocational-technical districts (7 year terms)
- ⁸Includes 3 county vocational-technical districts

DELAWARE

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA



*Appointed by the Mayor-Commissioner of the District of Columbia, board chairman, vice-chairman and secretary elected annually by board members from their group.

† D. C. Board Members Elected

* D. C. Superintendent Appointed by Board

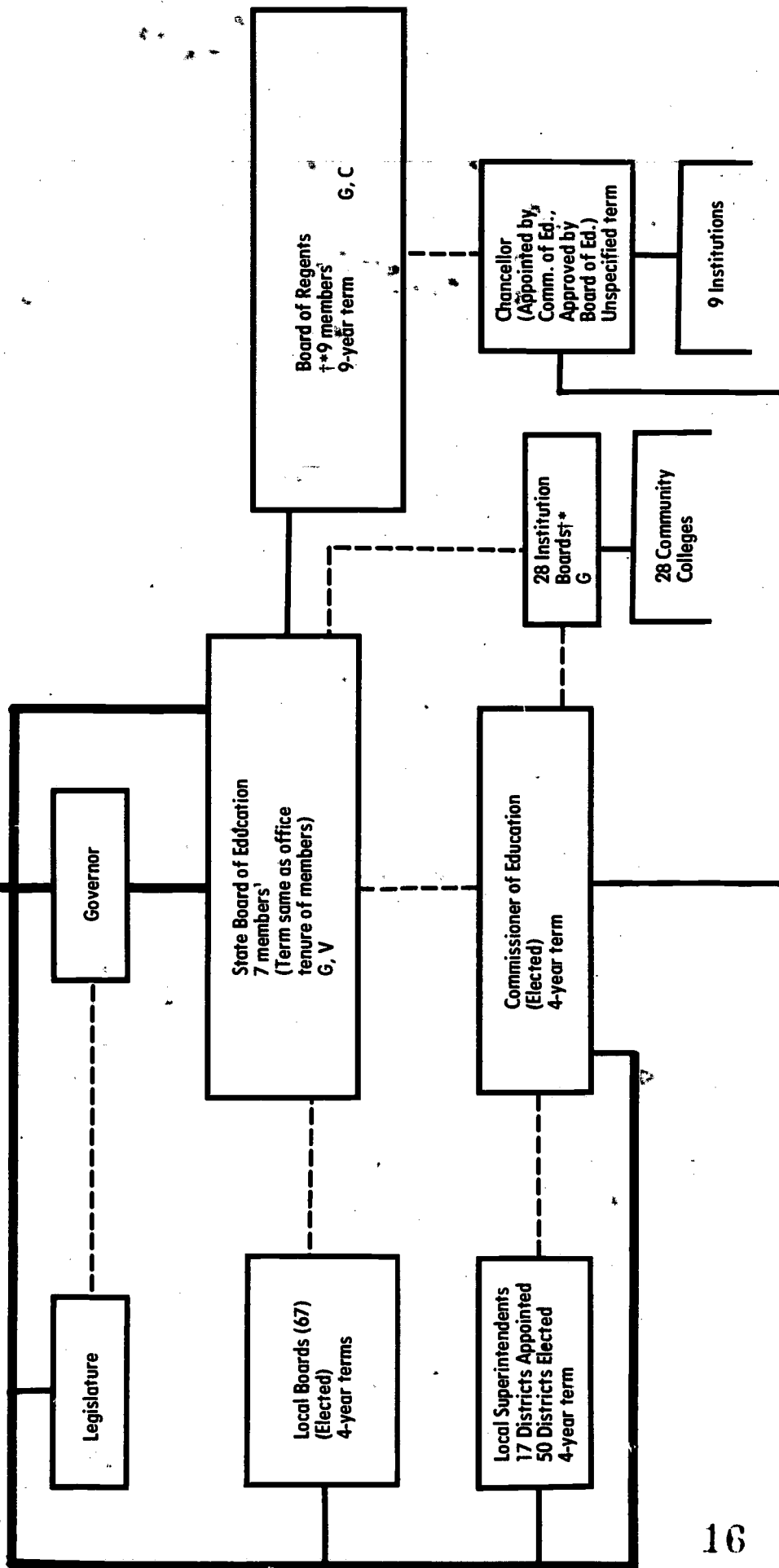
G—Governing Board

FLORIDA

Elementary and Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Post Secondary Education



- * Confirmed by Senate
- † Appointed by Governor
- G—Governing board
- C—Coordinating board
- V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education

*Board comprised of Governor, Sec. of State, Atty. General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer, Commissioner of Agriculture & Commissioner of Education

FLORIDA

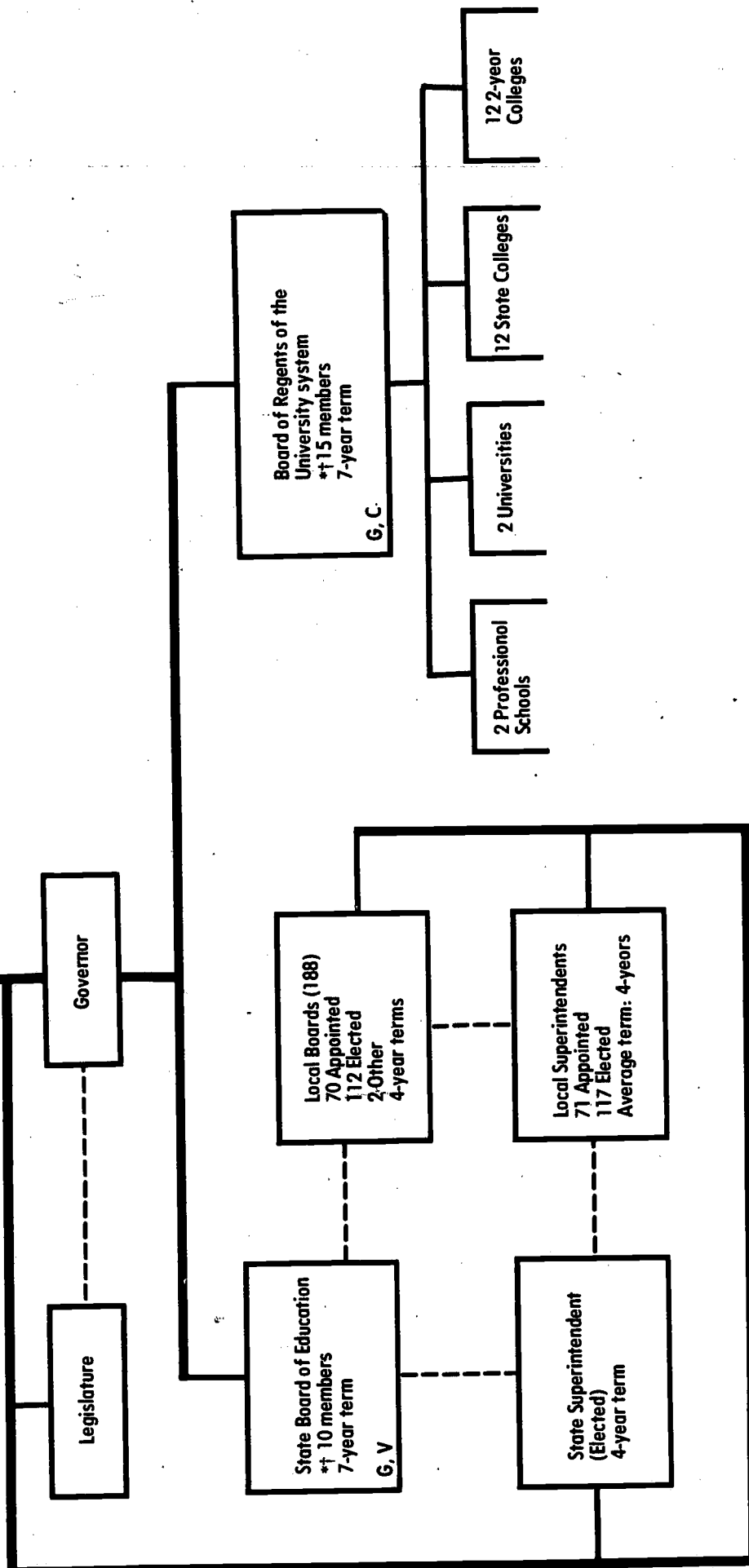
GEORGIA

GEORGIA

Post Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Elementary and Secondary Education



† Appointed by Governor
 * Confirmed by Senate
 G—Governing board
 C—Coordinating board
 V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education

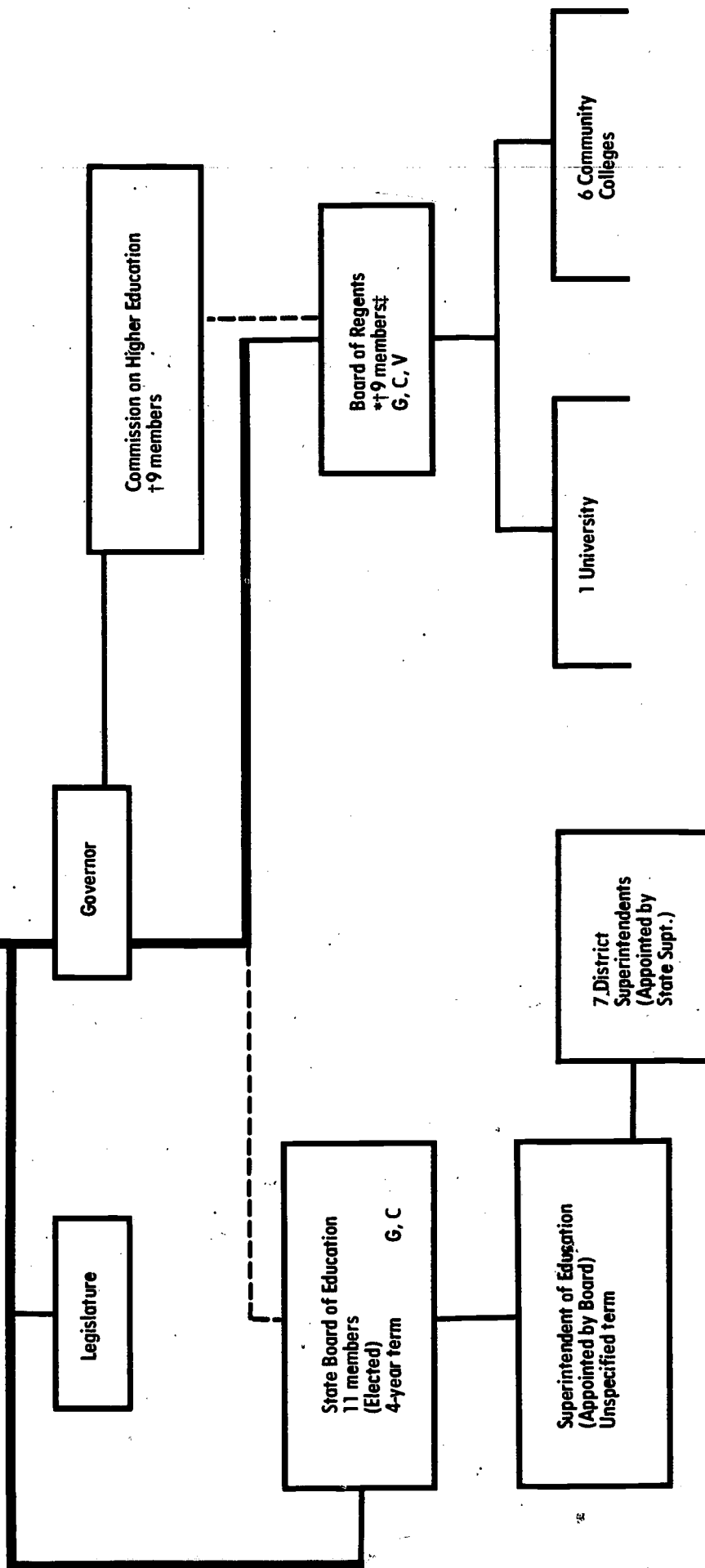
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Post Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

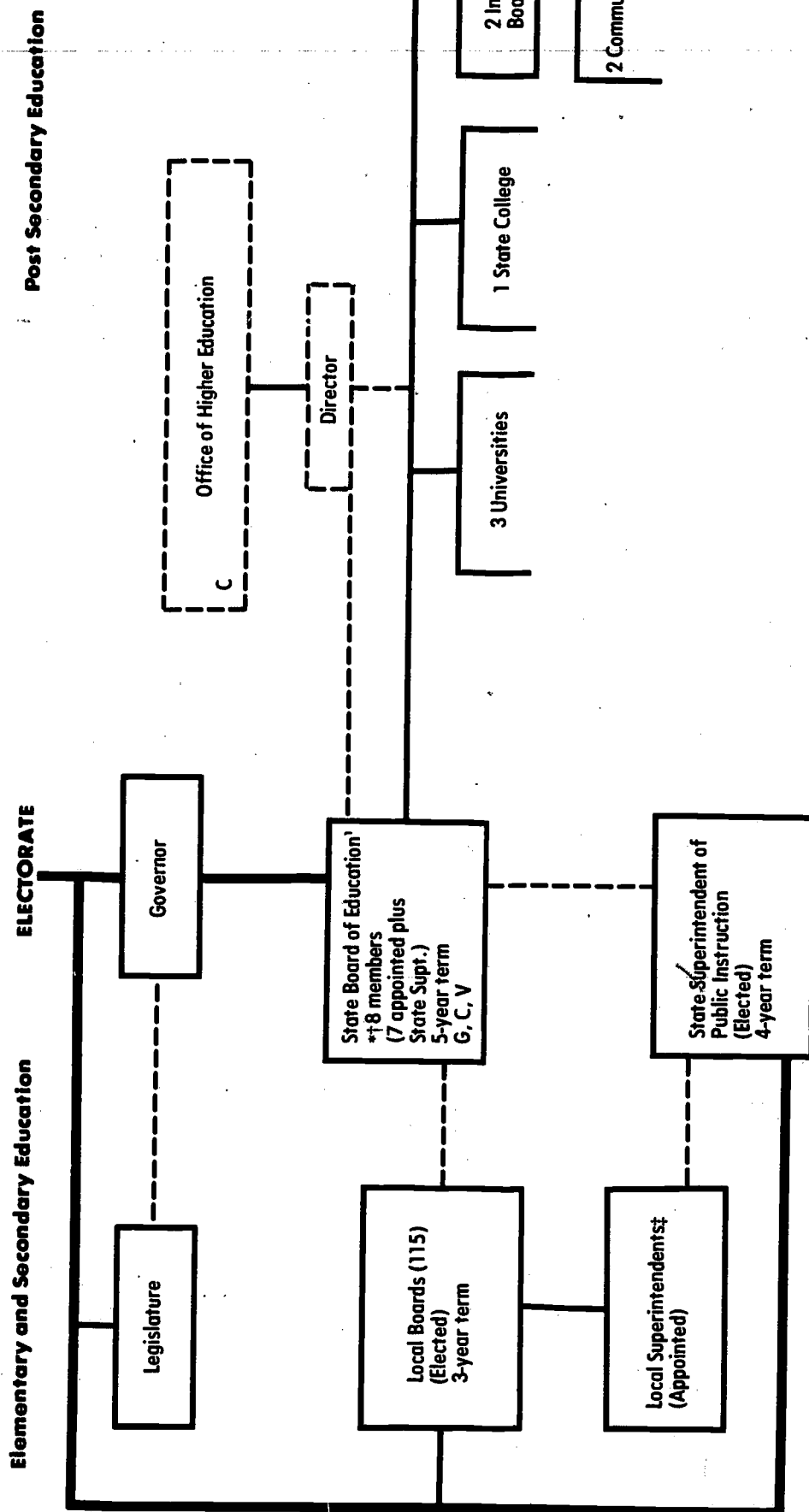
Elementary and Secondary Education



- † Appointed by Governor
- * Confirmed by Senate
- G—Governing board
- C—Coordinating board
- V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education
- ‡ The main university campus & community colleges operate as part of the University

IDAHO

IDAHO



† Appointed by Governor

* Confirmed by Senate

G—Governing board

C—Coordinating board

V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education

I Acts as Board of Regents of the University of Idaho

‡ 9 Districts serve elementary schools only, and do not have superintendents

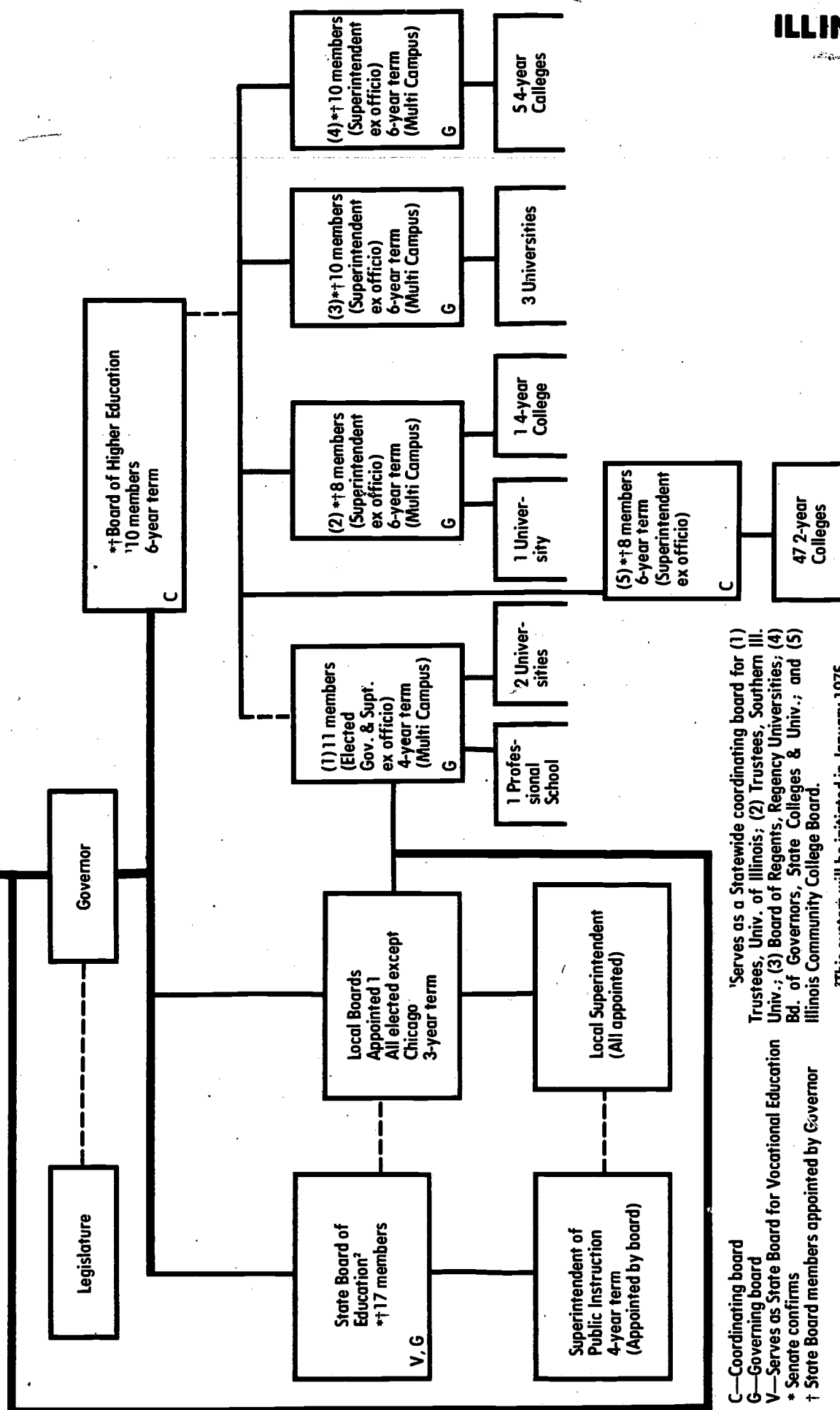
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ILLINOIS

Post Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Elementary and Secondary Education



C—Coordinating board

G—Governing board

V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education

* Senate confirms

† State Board members appointed by Governor

¹Serves as a Statewide coordinating board for (1) Trustees, Univ. of Illinois; (2) Trustees, Southern Ill. Univ.; (3) Board of Regents, Regency Universities; (4) Bd. of Governors, State Colleges & Univ.; and (5) Illinois Community College Board.

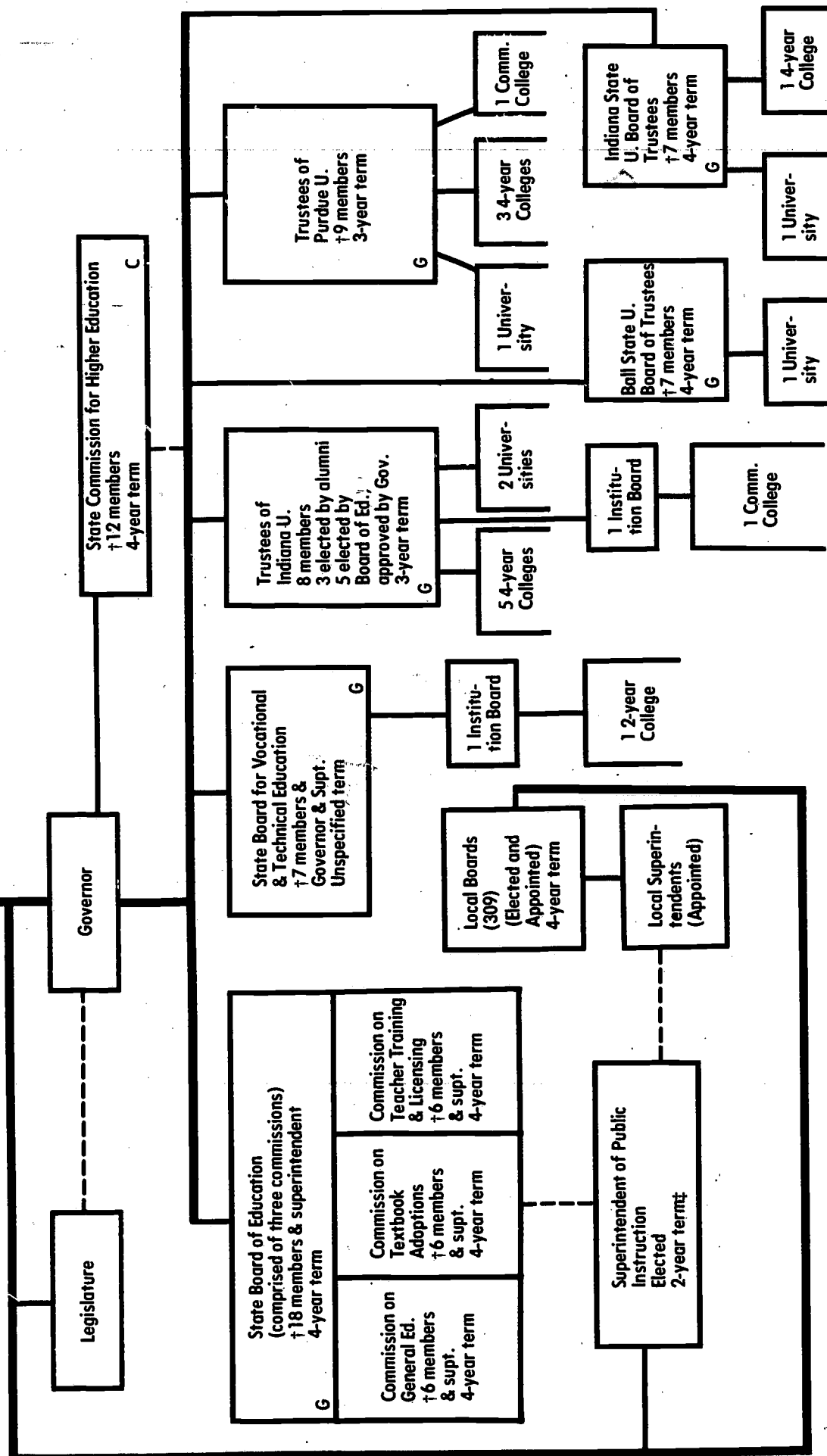
²This system will be initiated in January 1975. The State Superintendent is now elected; no state level E&S board exists

INDIANA

Post Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Elementary and Secondary Education



† To be appointed by Governor after 1975

† Appointed by Governor

* Confirmed by Senate

G—Governing Board

C—Coordinating board

INDIANA

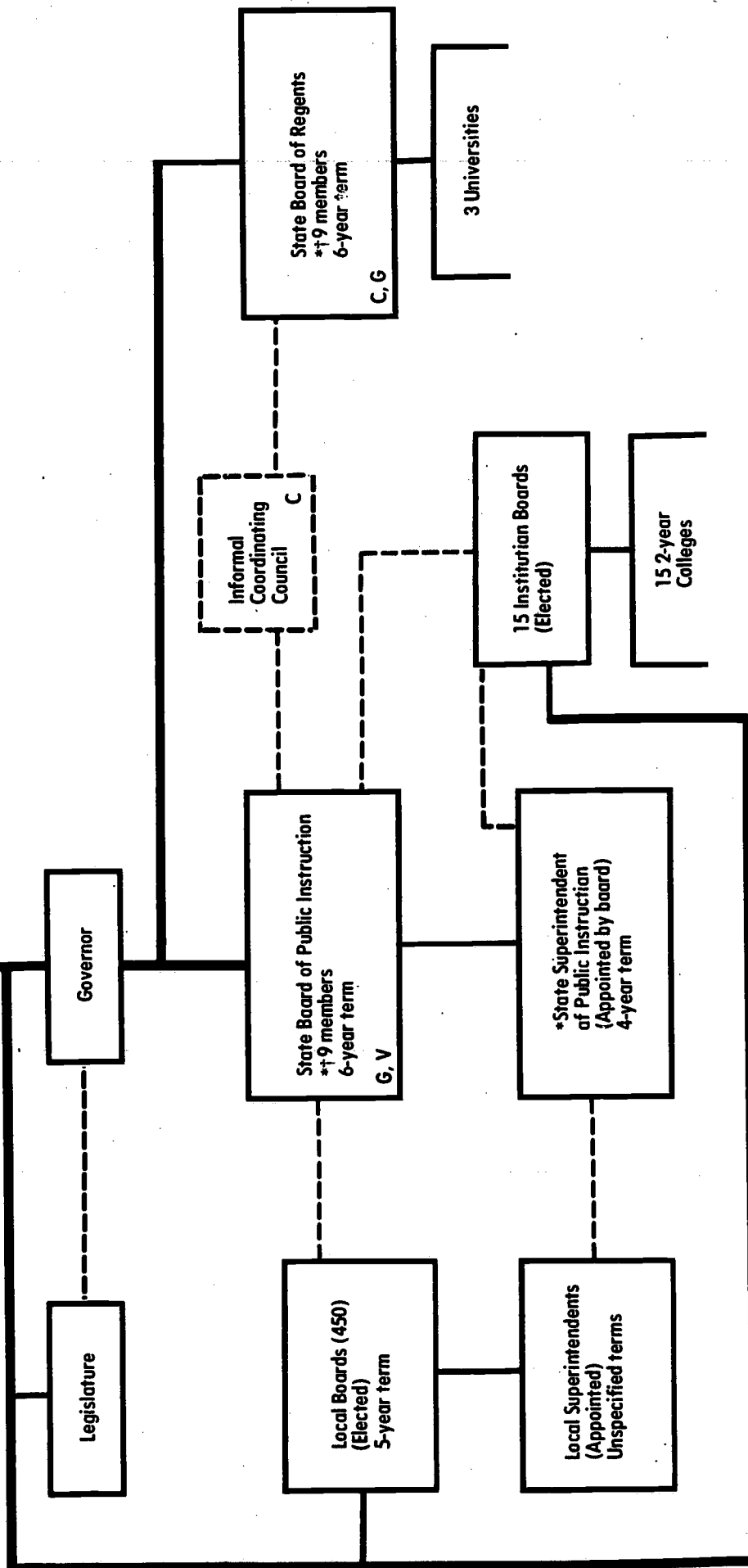
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IOWA

Post Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Elementary and Secondary Education



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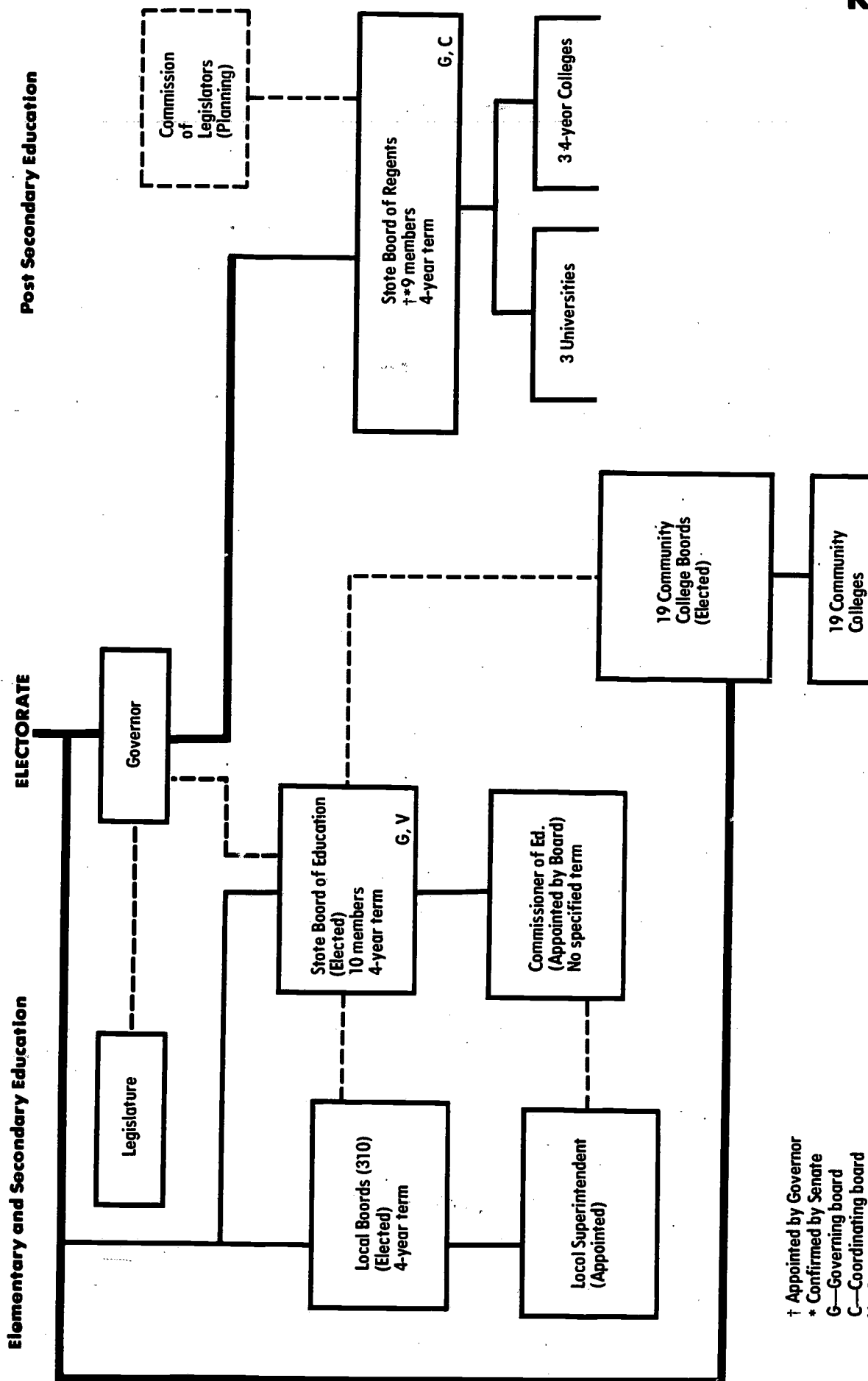
* Confirmed by Senate

G—Governing board

C—Coordinating board

V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education

Post Secondary Education

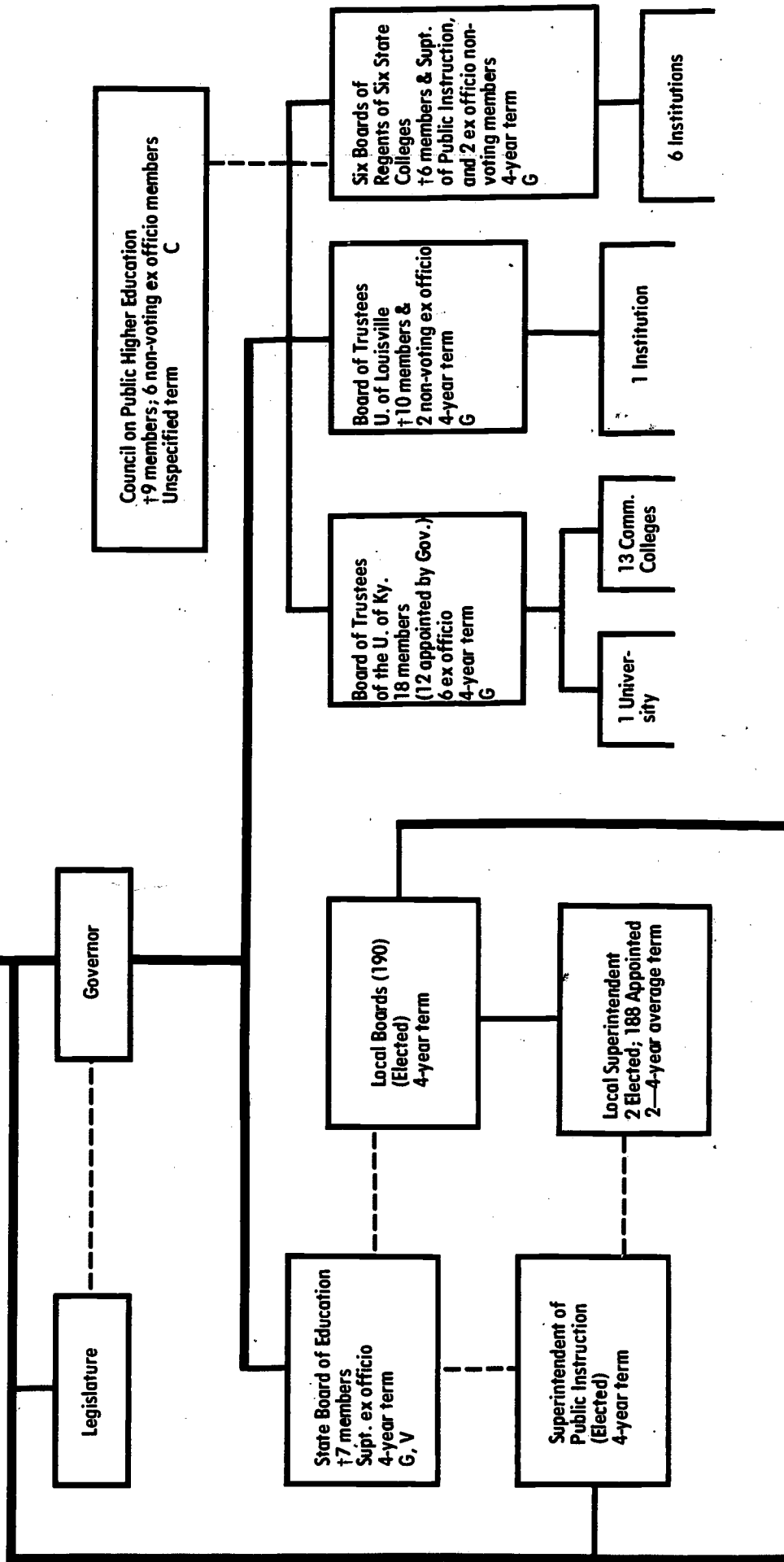


KENTUCKY

Elementary and Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Post Secondary Education



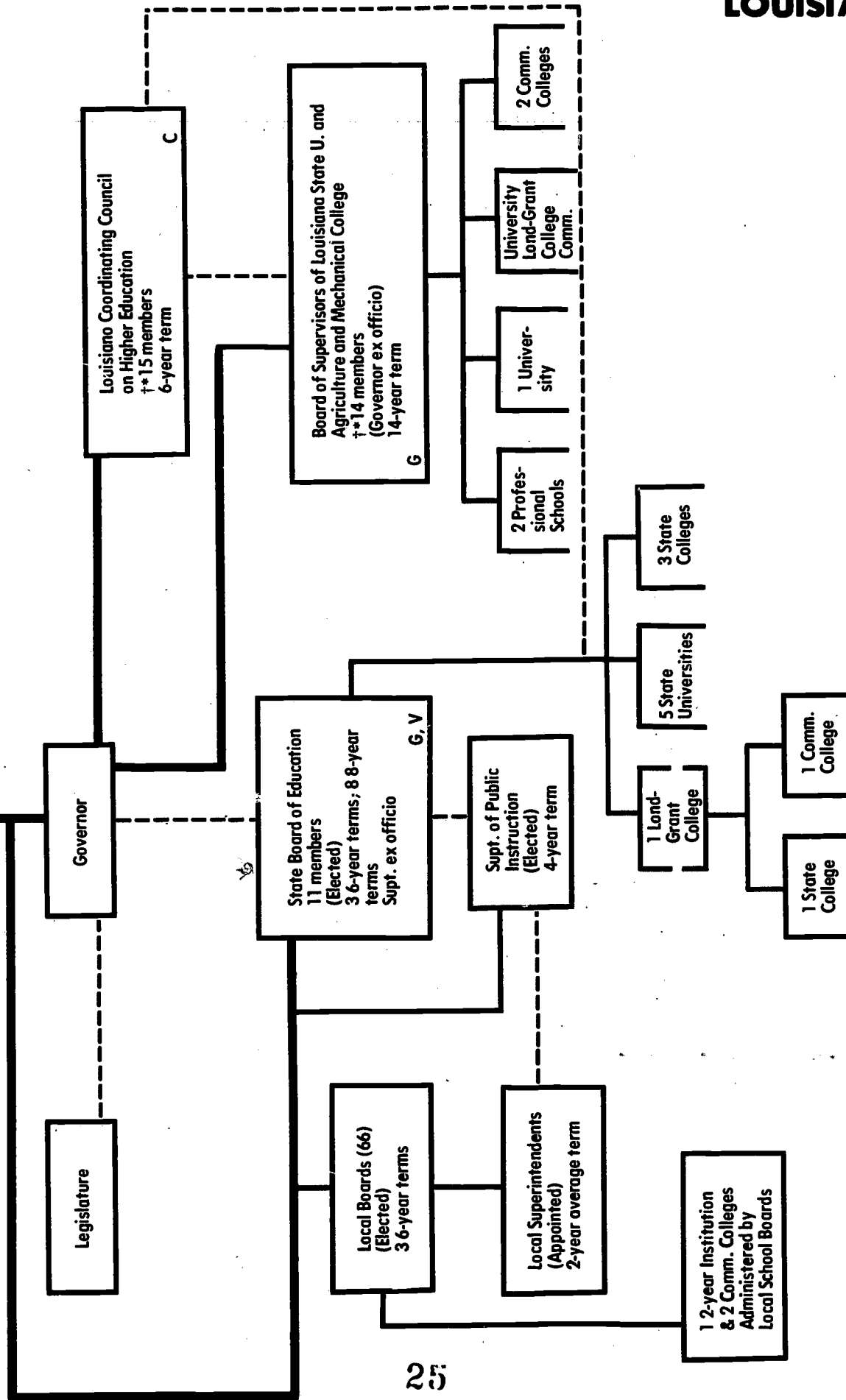
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V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education

KENTUCKY

LOUISIANA

Elementary and Secondary Education

Post Secondary Education



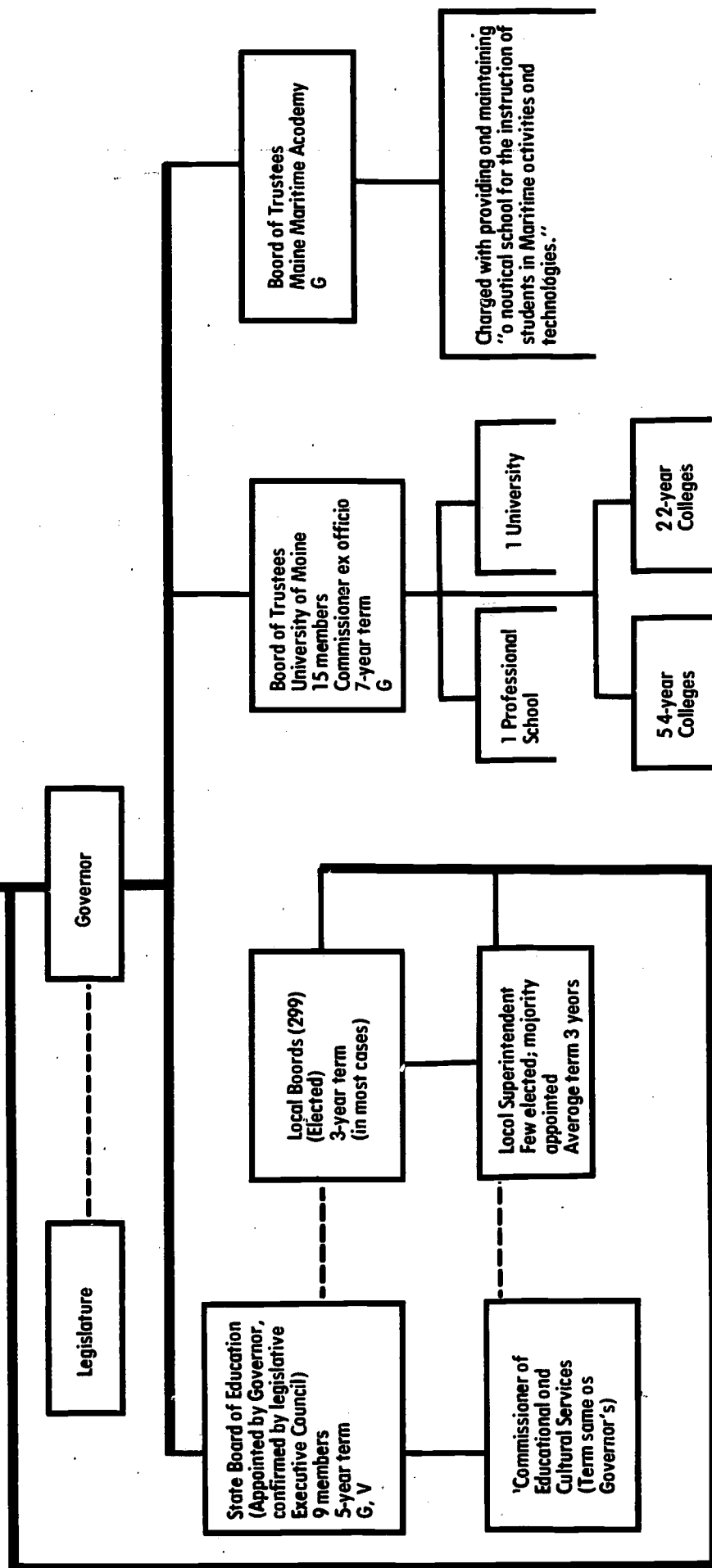
- † Appointed by Governor
- * Confirmed by Senate
- G—Governing board
- C—Coordinating board
- V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education

MAINE

Elementary and Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Post Secondary Education



*Appointed by Governor from list of 3 names provided by State Board and approved by Executive Council. (Council is elected by the Legislature.)

G—Governing board

V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education

MAINE

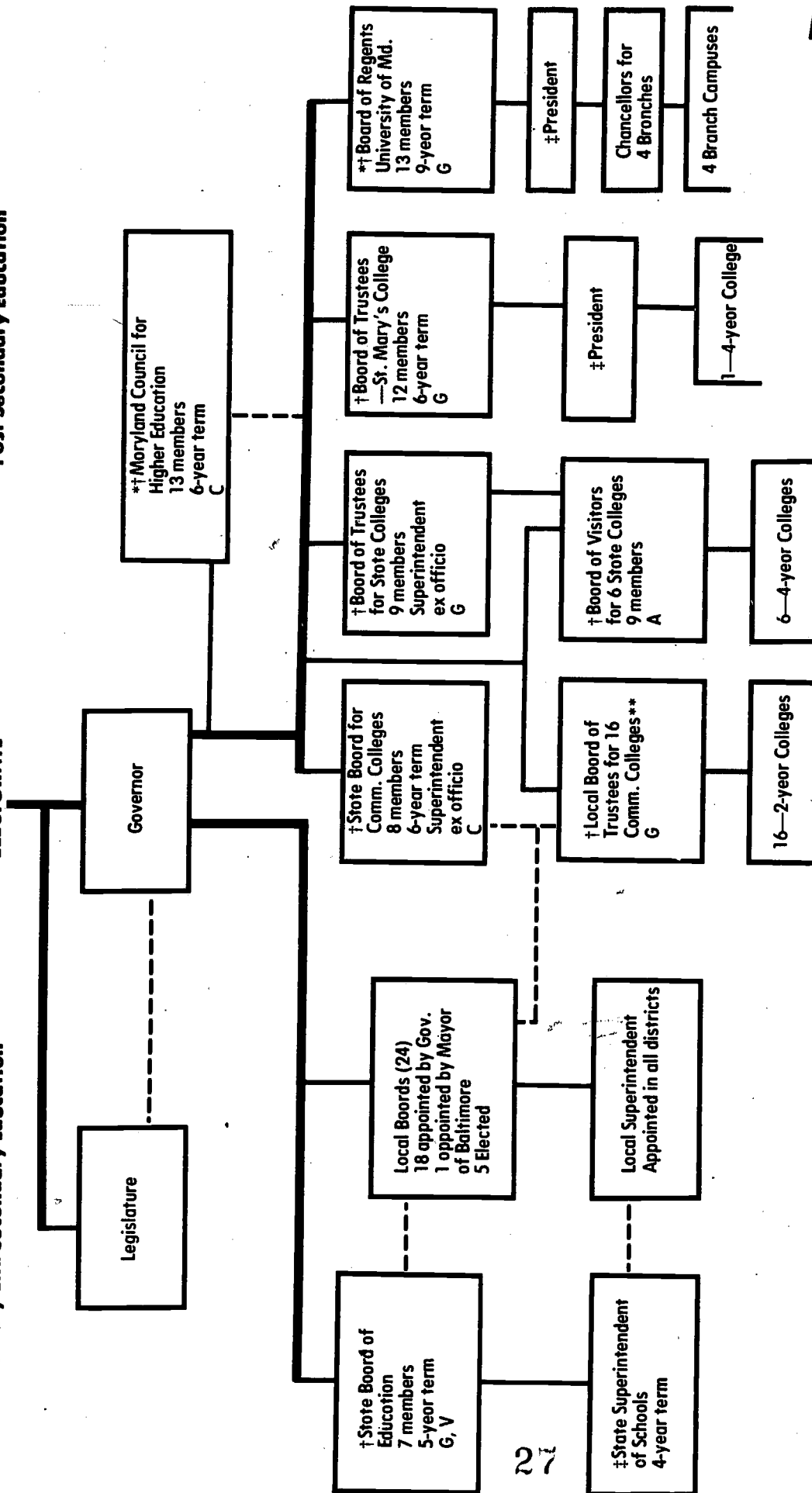
MARYLAND

MARYLAND

Post Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Elementary and Secondary Education



C—Coordinating board
G—Governing board
A—Advisory board
V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education

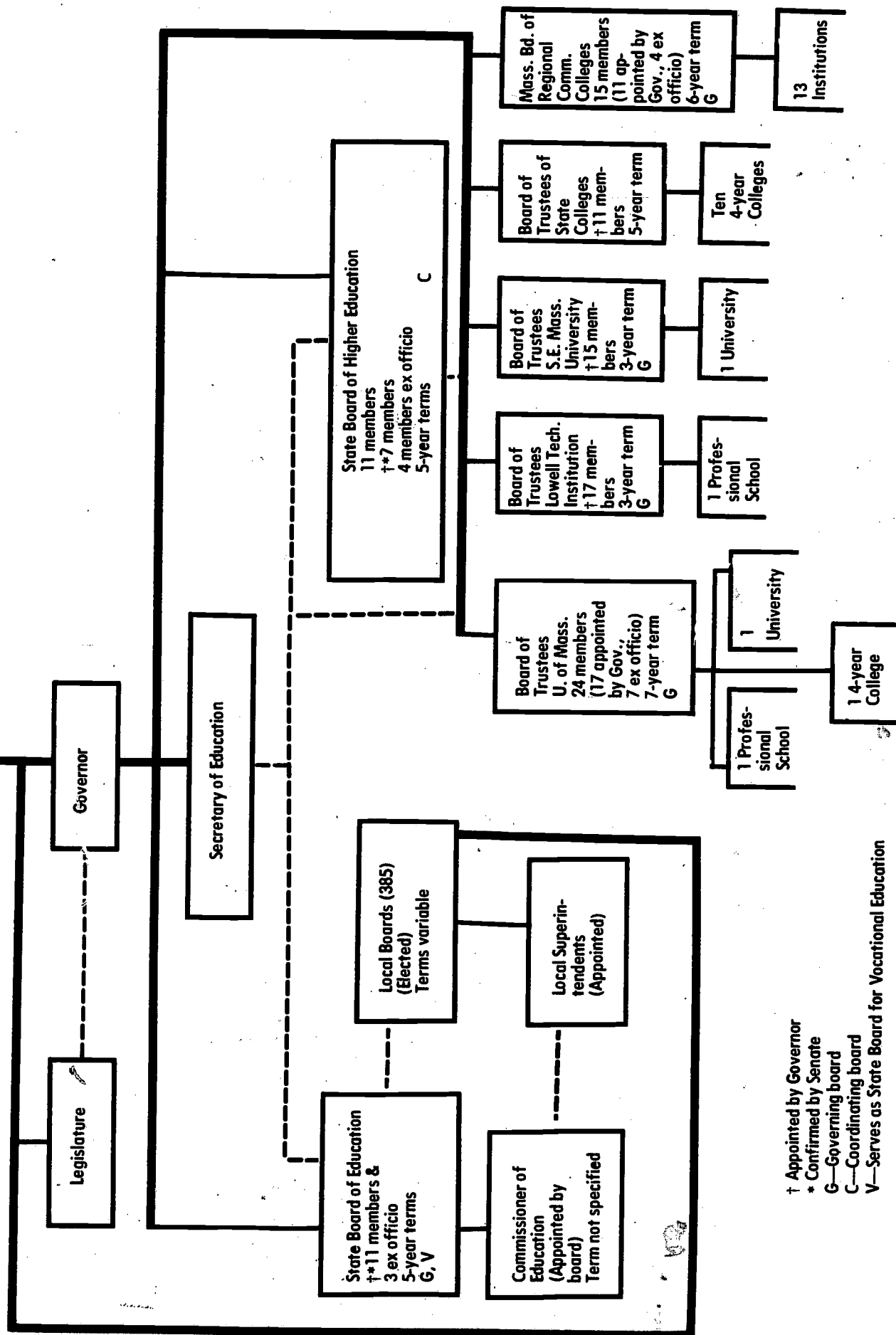
* Senate Confirms
† State Board Members Appointed by Governor
‡ Appointed by Board
** One Community College Board is also County Board of Education; Community College of Baltimore trustees are appointed by the mayor.

MASSACHUSETTS

Elementary and Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Post Secondary Education



† Appointed by Governor

* Confirmed by Senate

G—Governing board

C—Coordinating board

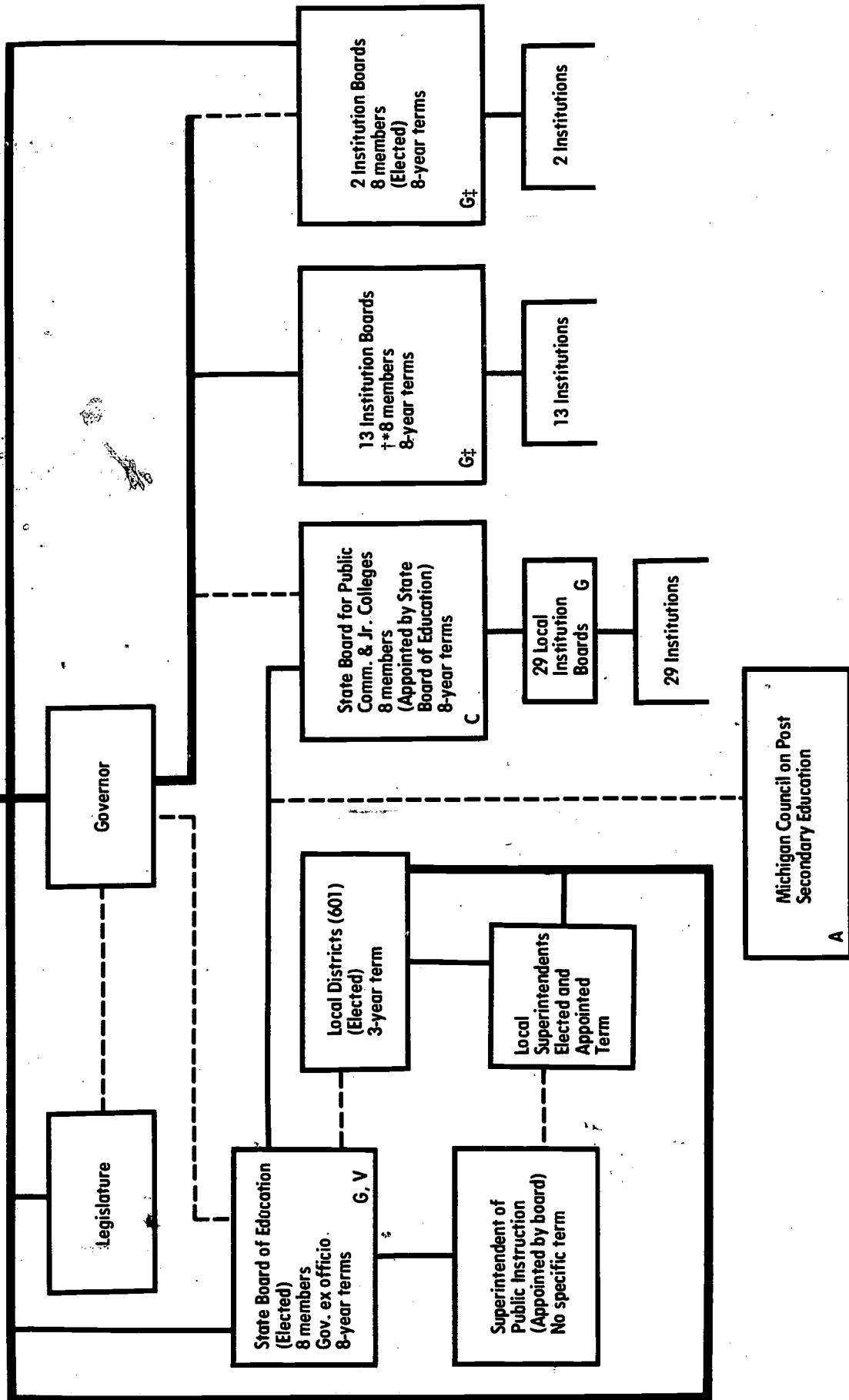
V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education

MICHIGAN

Post Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Elementary and Secondary Education



† Appointed by Governor

* Confirmed by Senate

G—Governing board

V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education

‡ State Board of Education serves as coordinating board

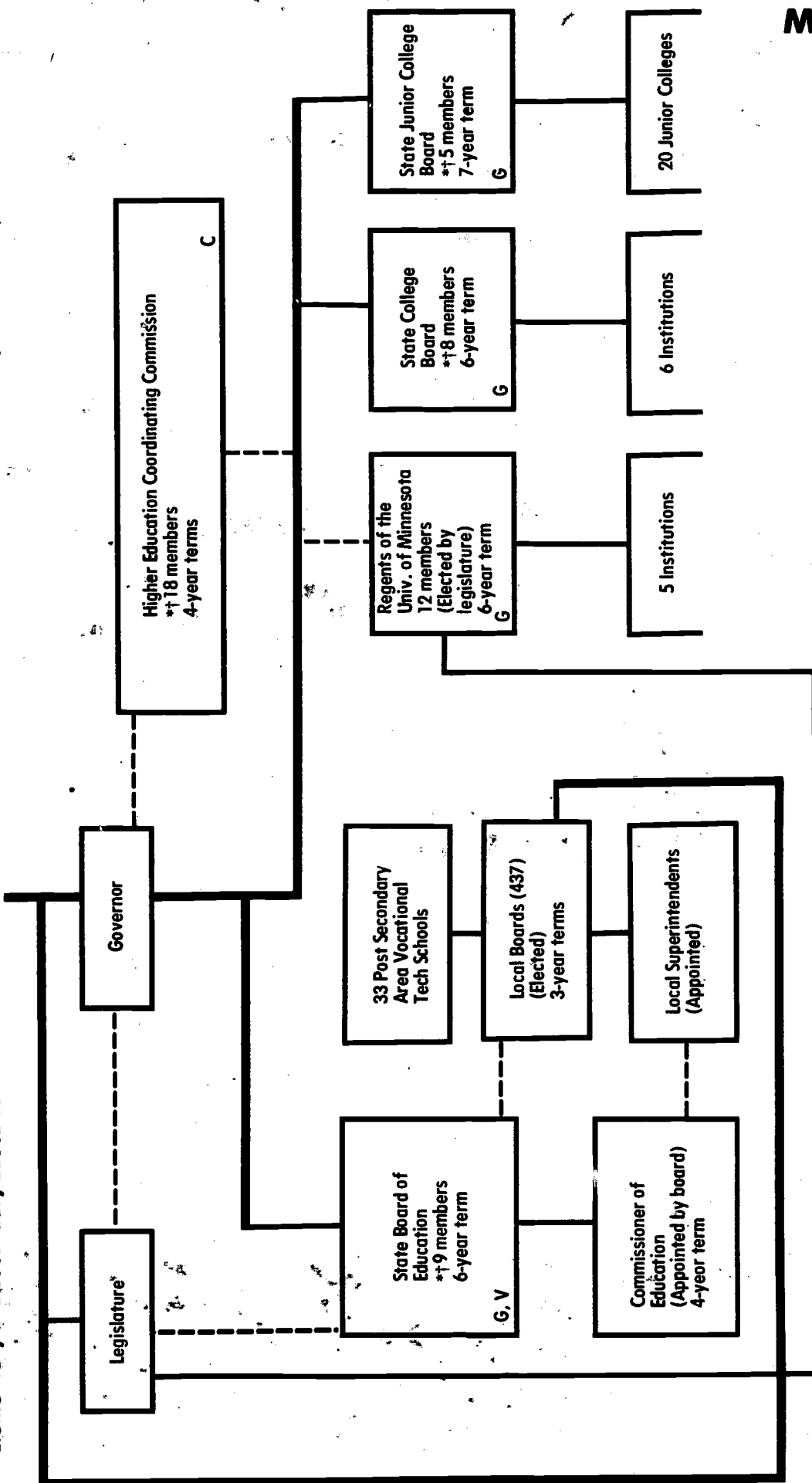
A—Advisory board

MINNESOTA

Post Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Elementary and Secondary Education



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* Confirmed by Senate

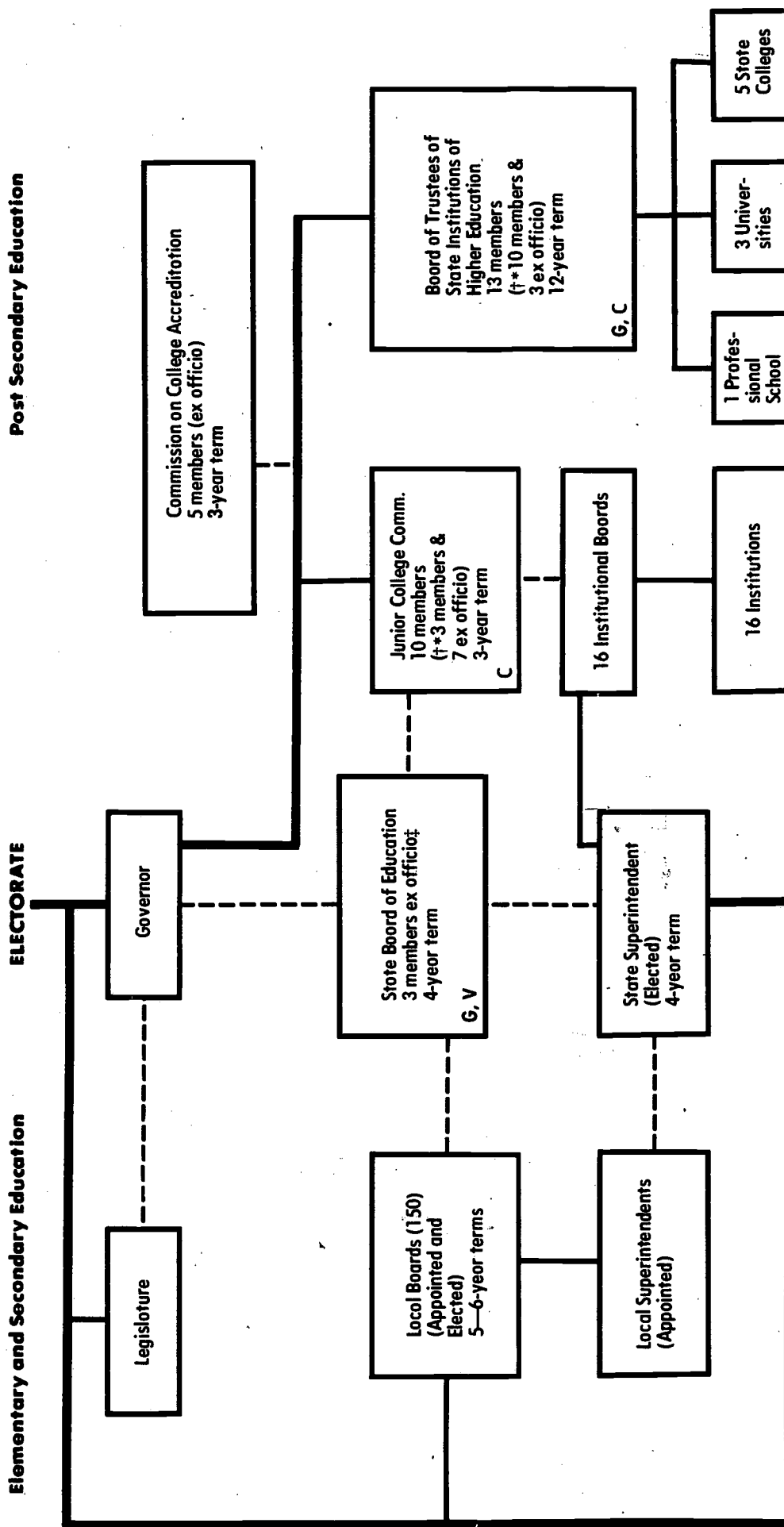
G—Governing board

C—Coordinating board

V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education

MINNESOTA

MISSISSIPPI



‡ Consists of Secretary of State, Attorney General, State Superintendent

† Appointed by Governor

* Confirmed by Senate

G—Governing board

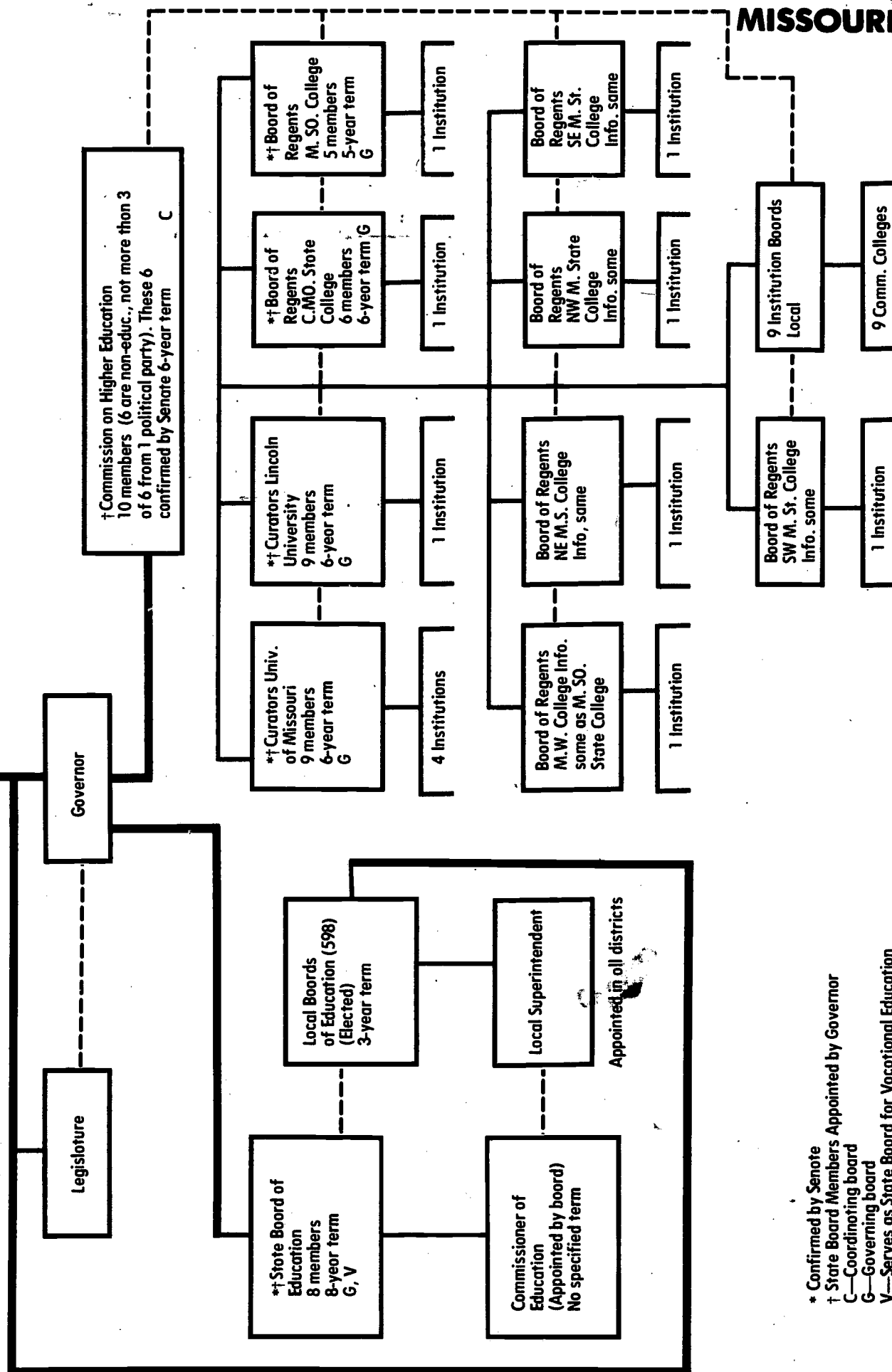
C—Coordinating board

V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education

MISSISSIPPI

ELECTORATE

Post Secondary Education

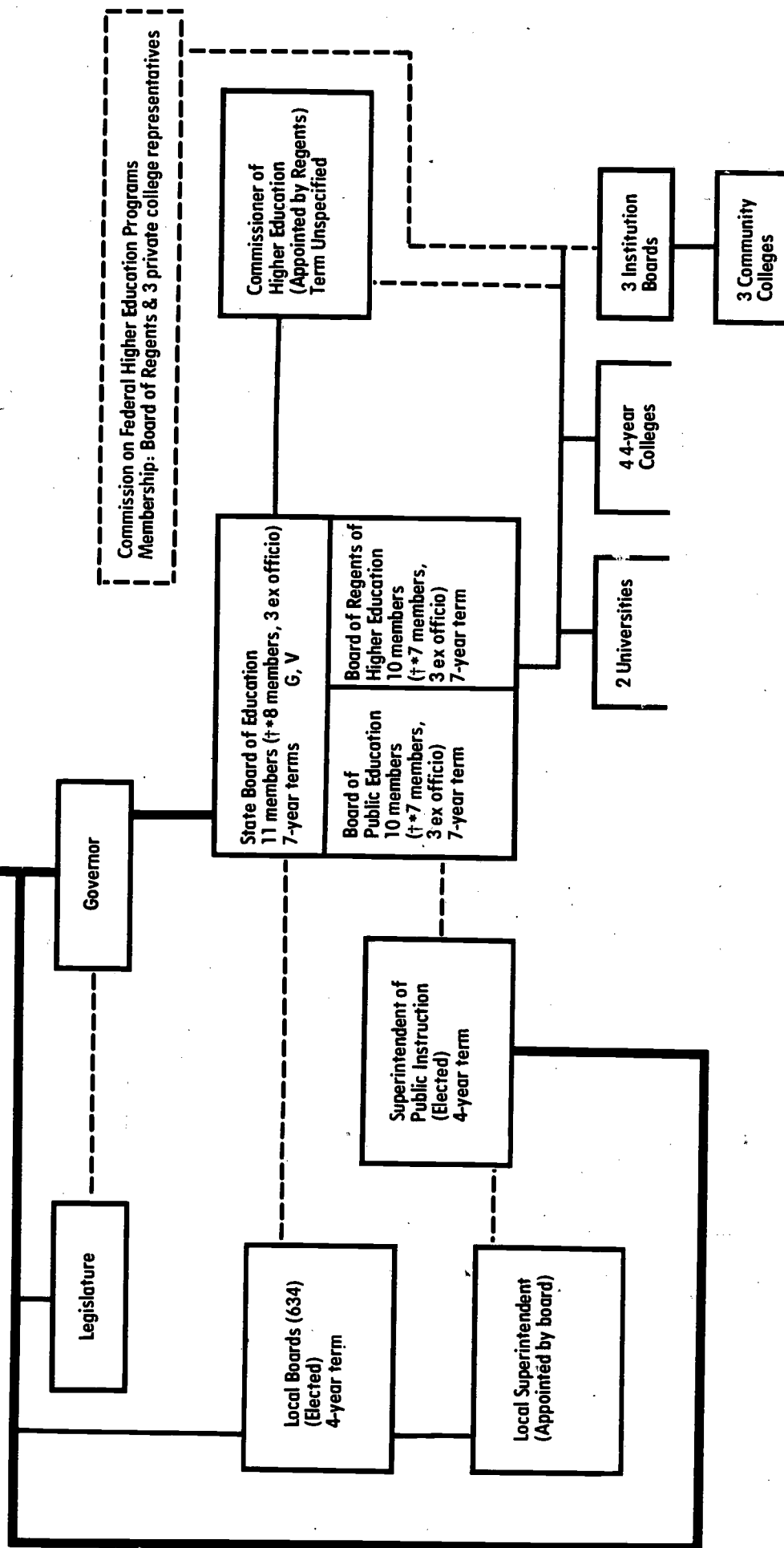


MONTANA

Elementary and Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Post Secondary Education



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* Confirmed by Senate

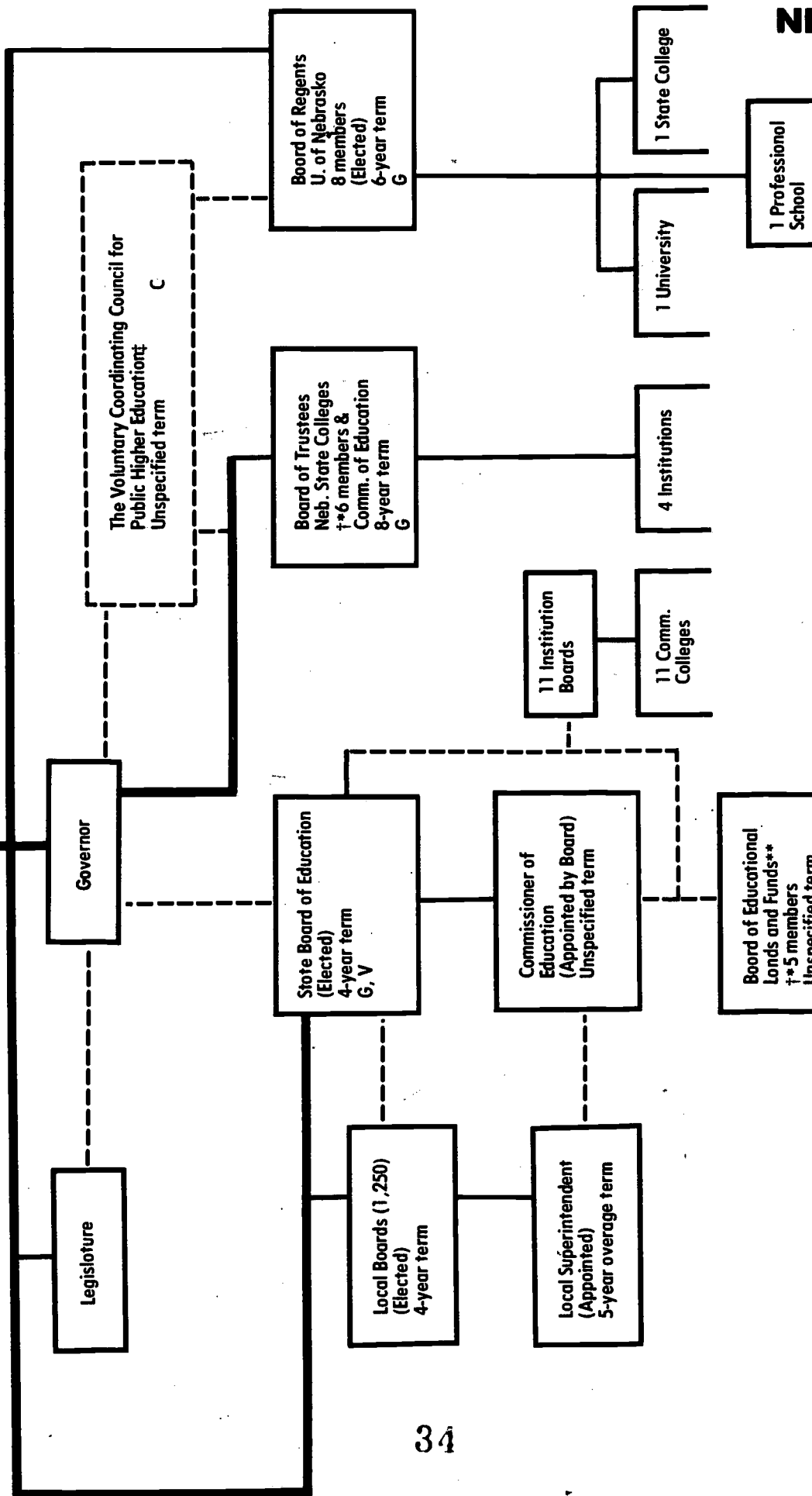
G—Governing board

V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education

NEBRASKA

Elementary and Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

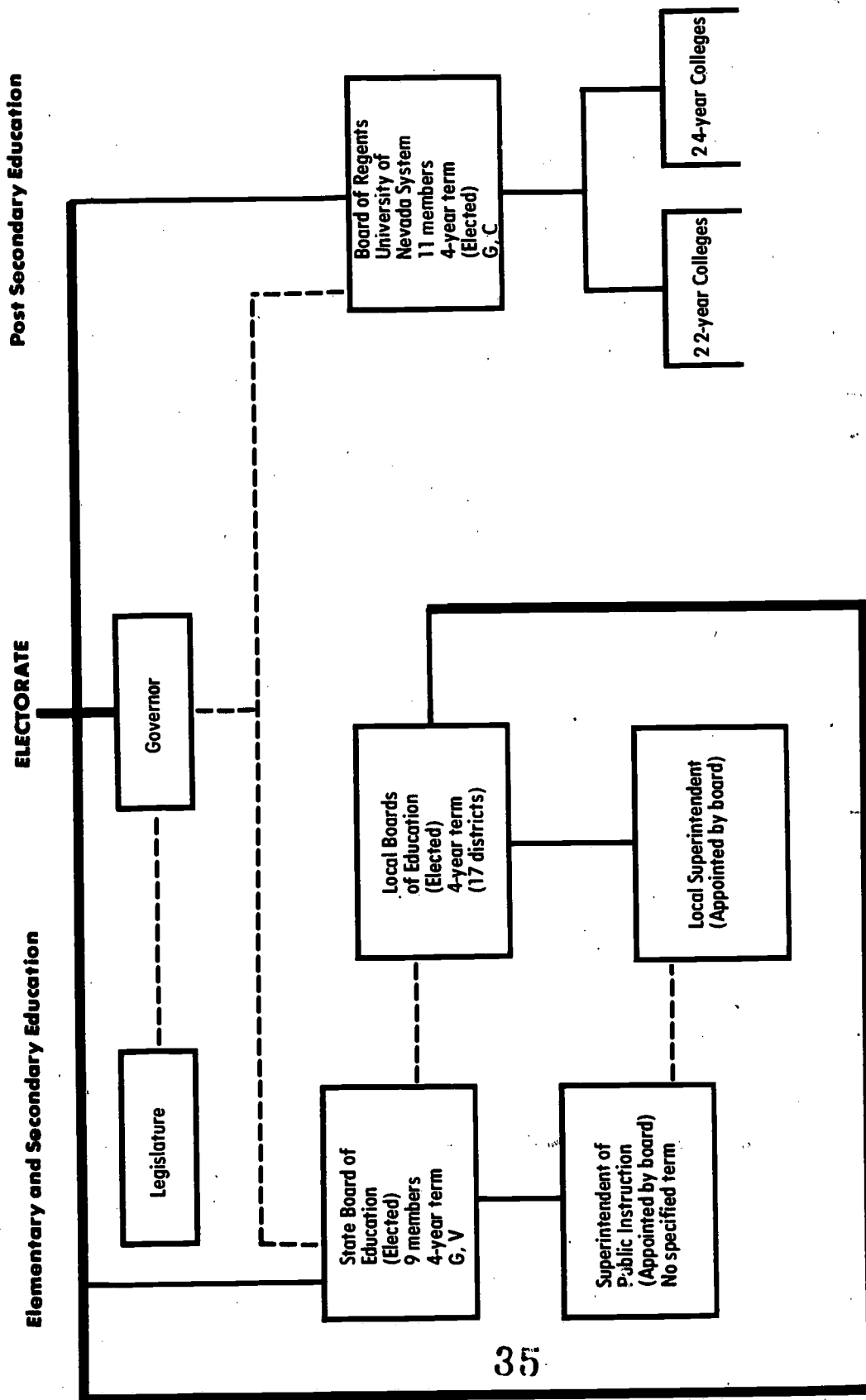


NEBRASKA

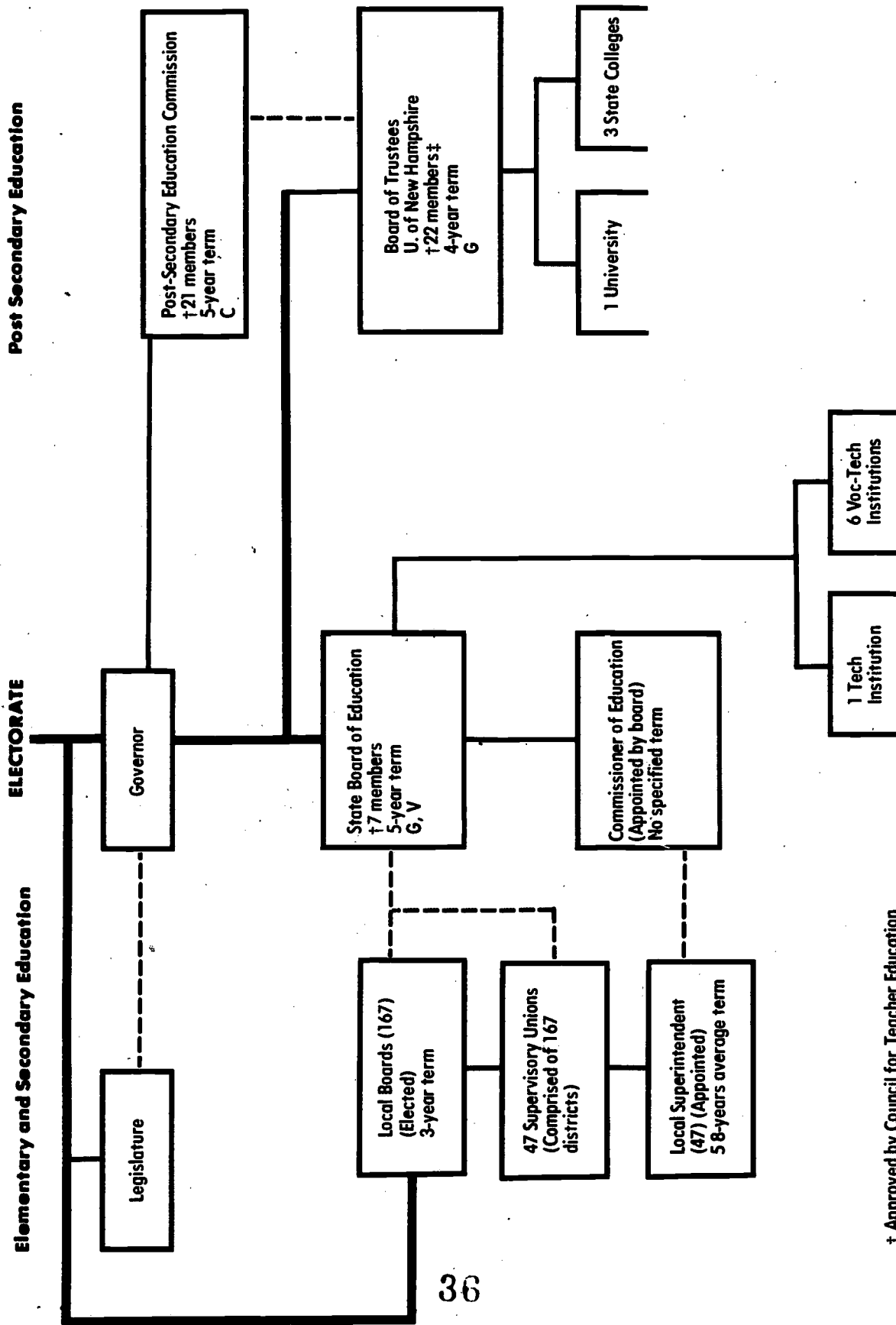
C—Coordinating board
G—Governing board
V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education

** Responsible for management & control of all public school lands (including higher education)
† Consists of chief executive officer and board representation by the Regent of the U. of Neb., the State Colleges, and public junior colleges.
† Appointed by the Governor
* Confirmed by the Senate

NEVADA



NEW HAMPSHIRE



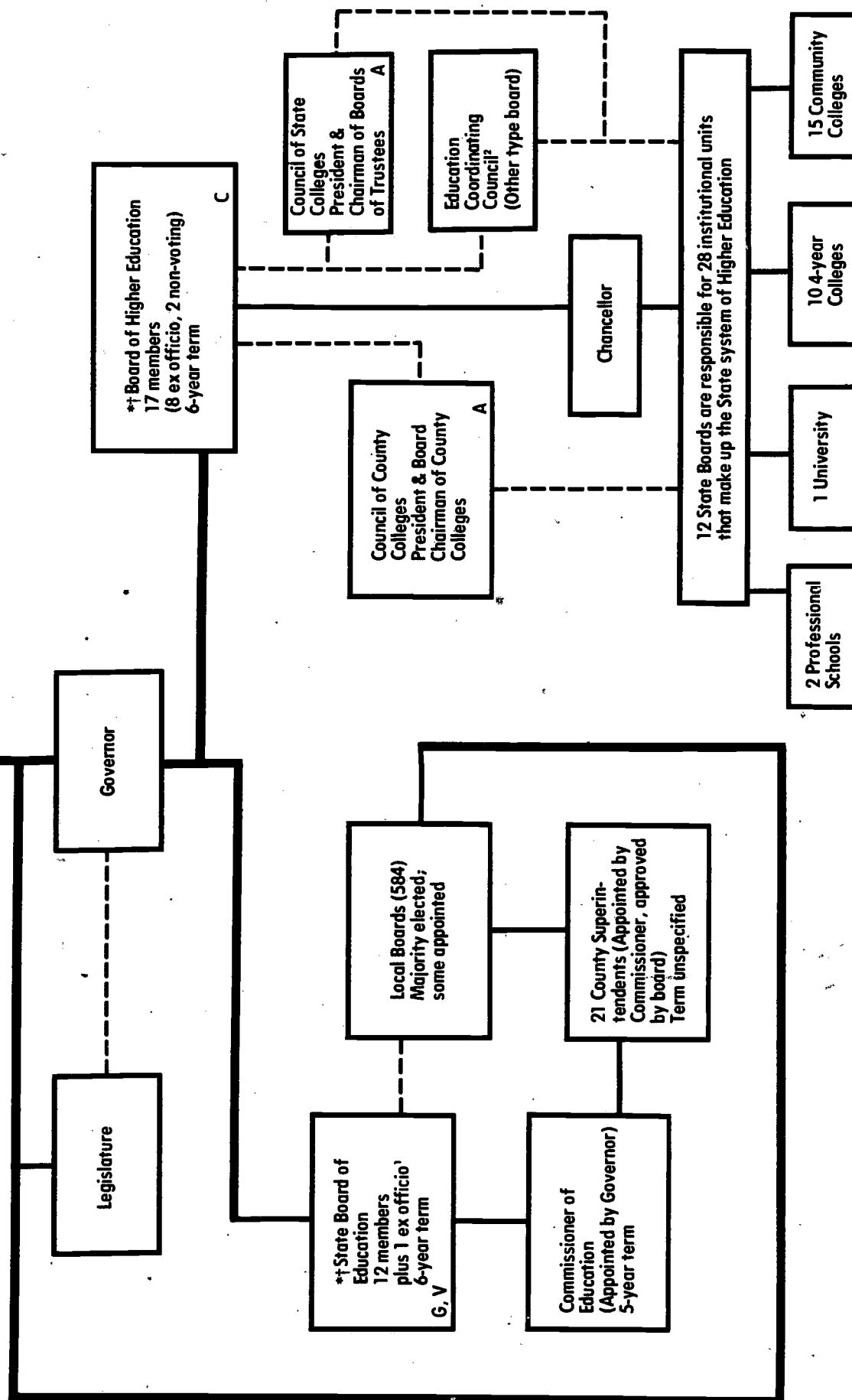
‡ Approved by Council for Teacher Education
 † Appointed by Governor
 G—Governing board
 C—Coordinating board
 V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education

NEW JERSEY

Elementary and Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Post Secondary Education



† State Board Members Appointed by Governor

* Senate confirms

G—Governing board

C—Coordinating board

A—Advisory board

V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education

¹Board of Higher Education Representative

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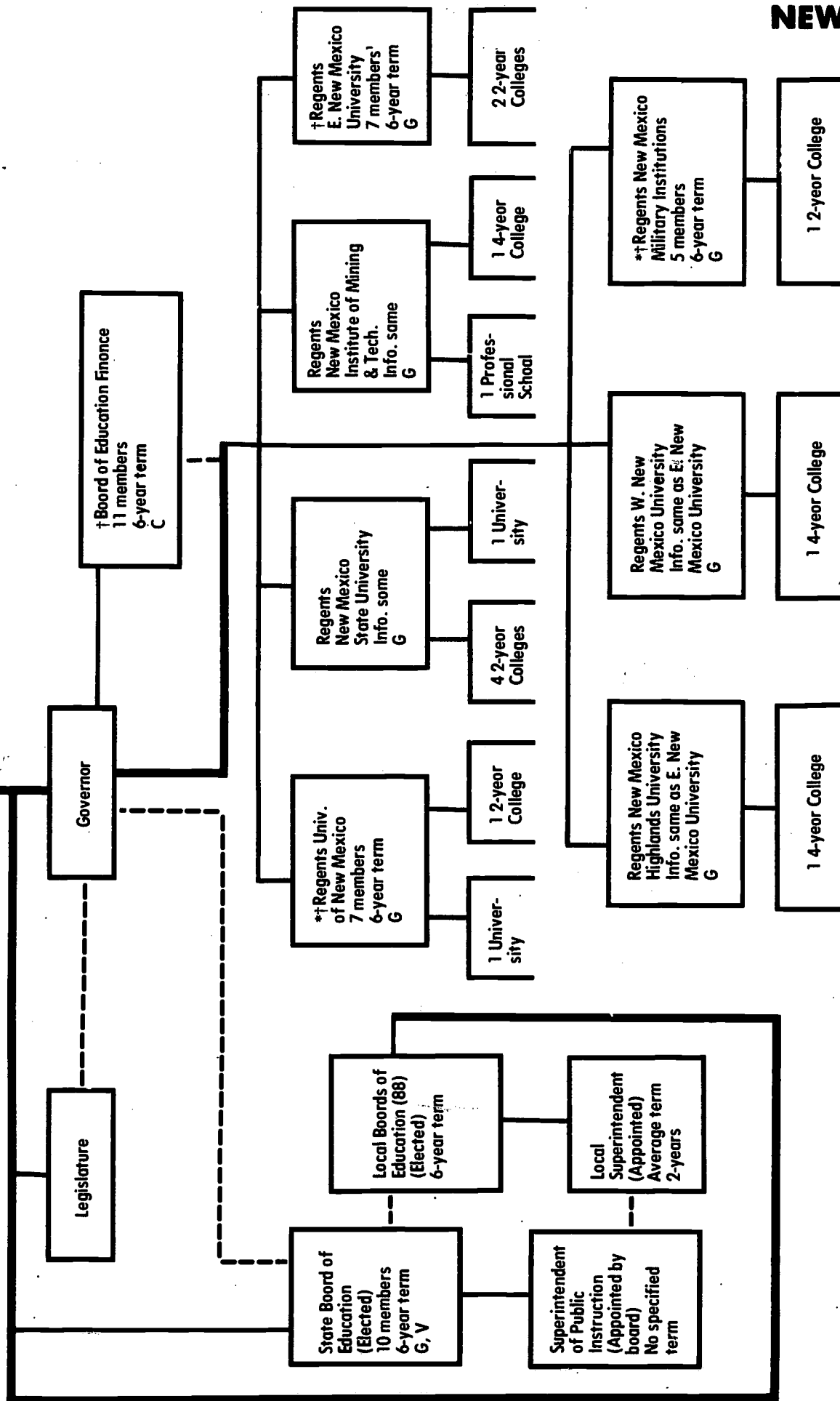
²Council consists of six members: the president of the State Board of Education, the chairman of State Board of Higher Education, the Commissioner of Education, the chancellor of the department of higher education, one citizen member of the State Board of Education, and one citizen member of the Board of Higher Education.

NEW MEXICO

Elementary and Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Post Secondary Education



C—Coordinating board

G—Governing board

V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education

* Confirmed by Senate

† State Board members appointed by Governor

'Governor and Superintendent of Public Instruction—ex officio

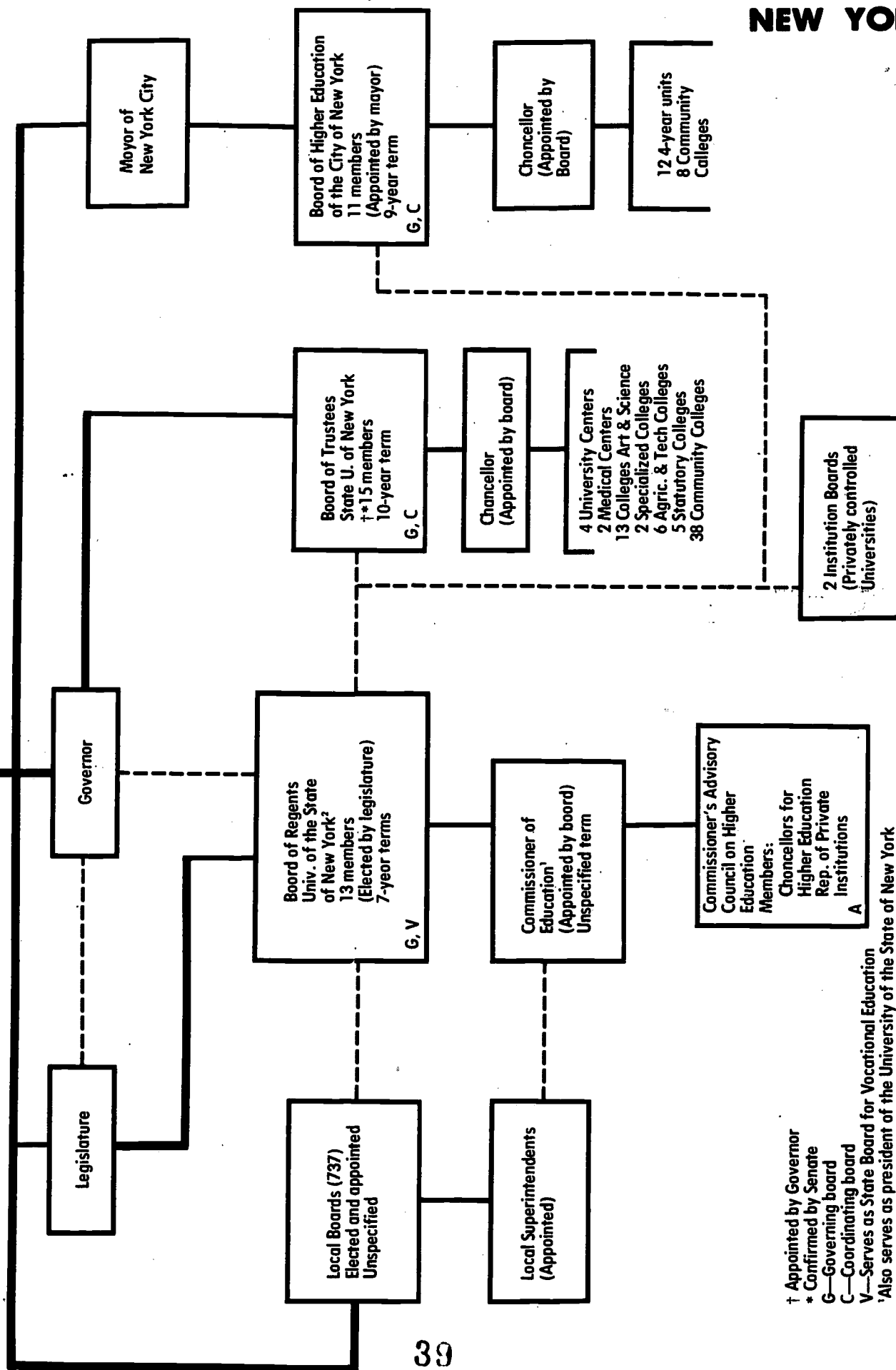
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Post Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Elementary and Secondary Education



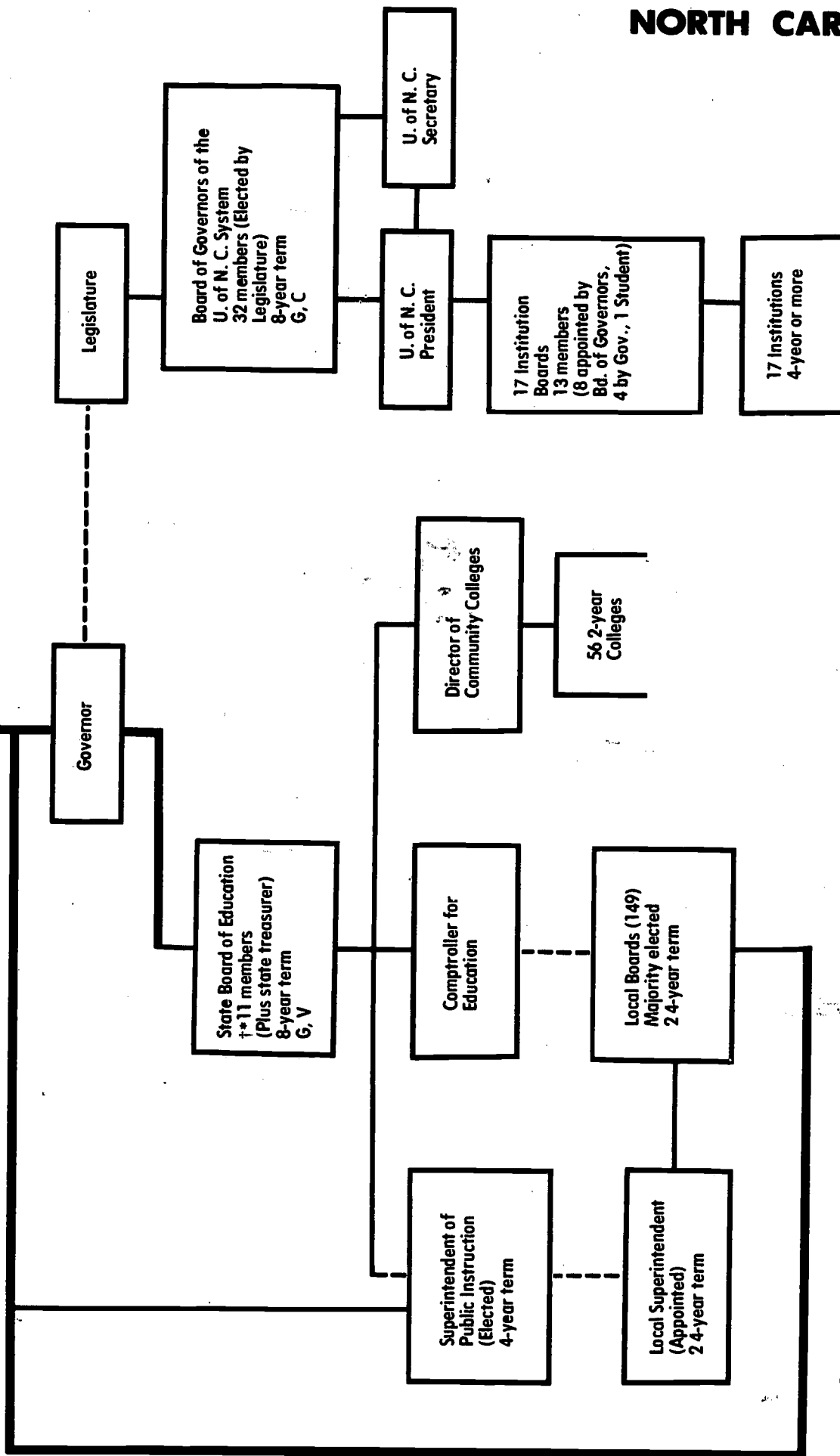
- † Appointed by Governor
- * Confirmed by Senate
- G—Governing board
- C—Coordinating board
- V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education
- ¹Also serves as president of the University of the State of New York
- ²Heads the State Education Department
- A—Advisory board

NORTH CAROLINA

Elementary and Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Post Secondary Education



C—Coordinating board
G—Governing board
V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education
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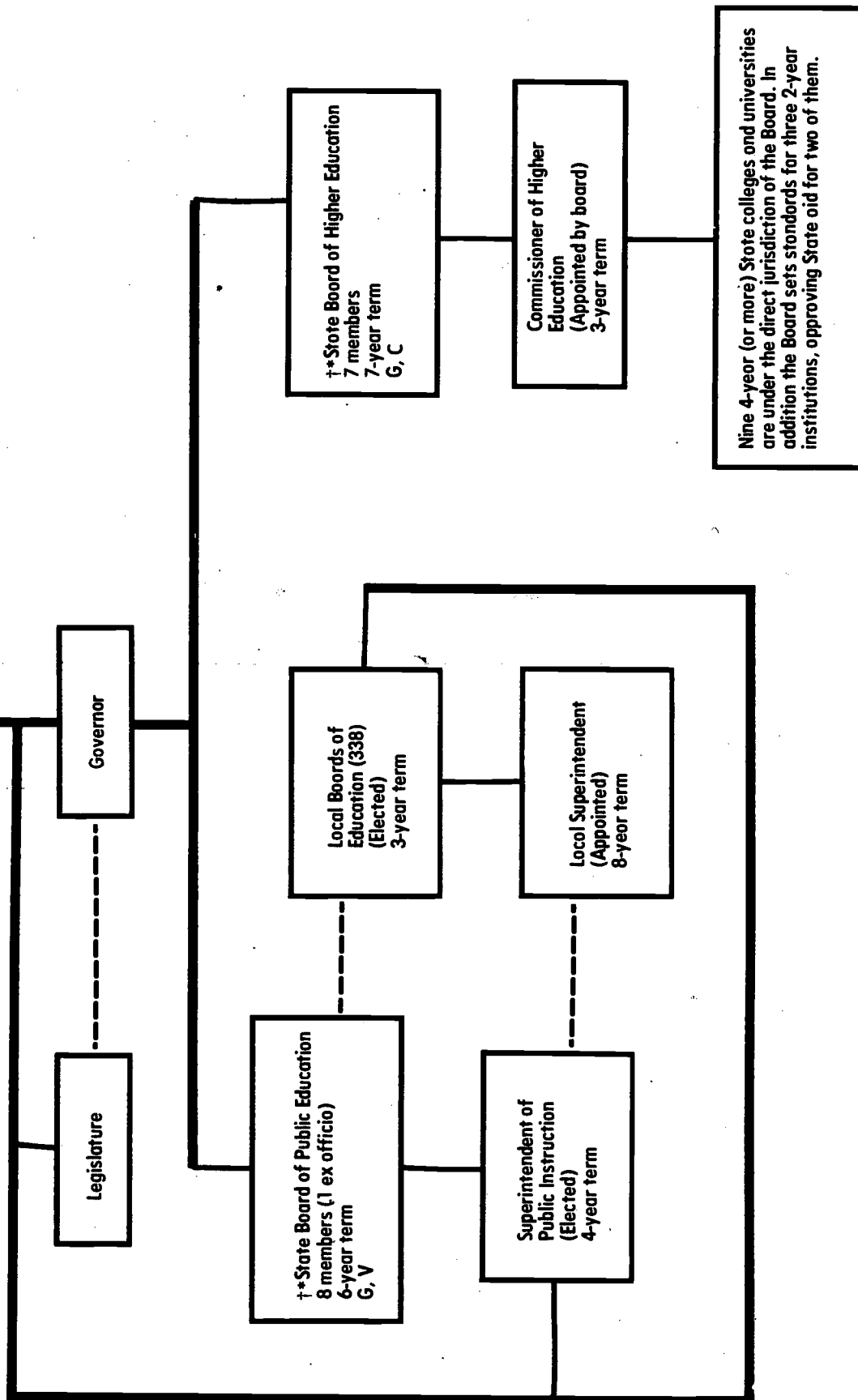
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Post Secondary Education

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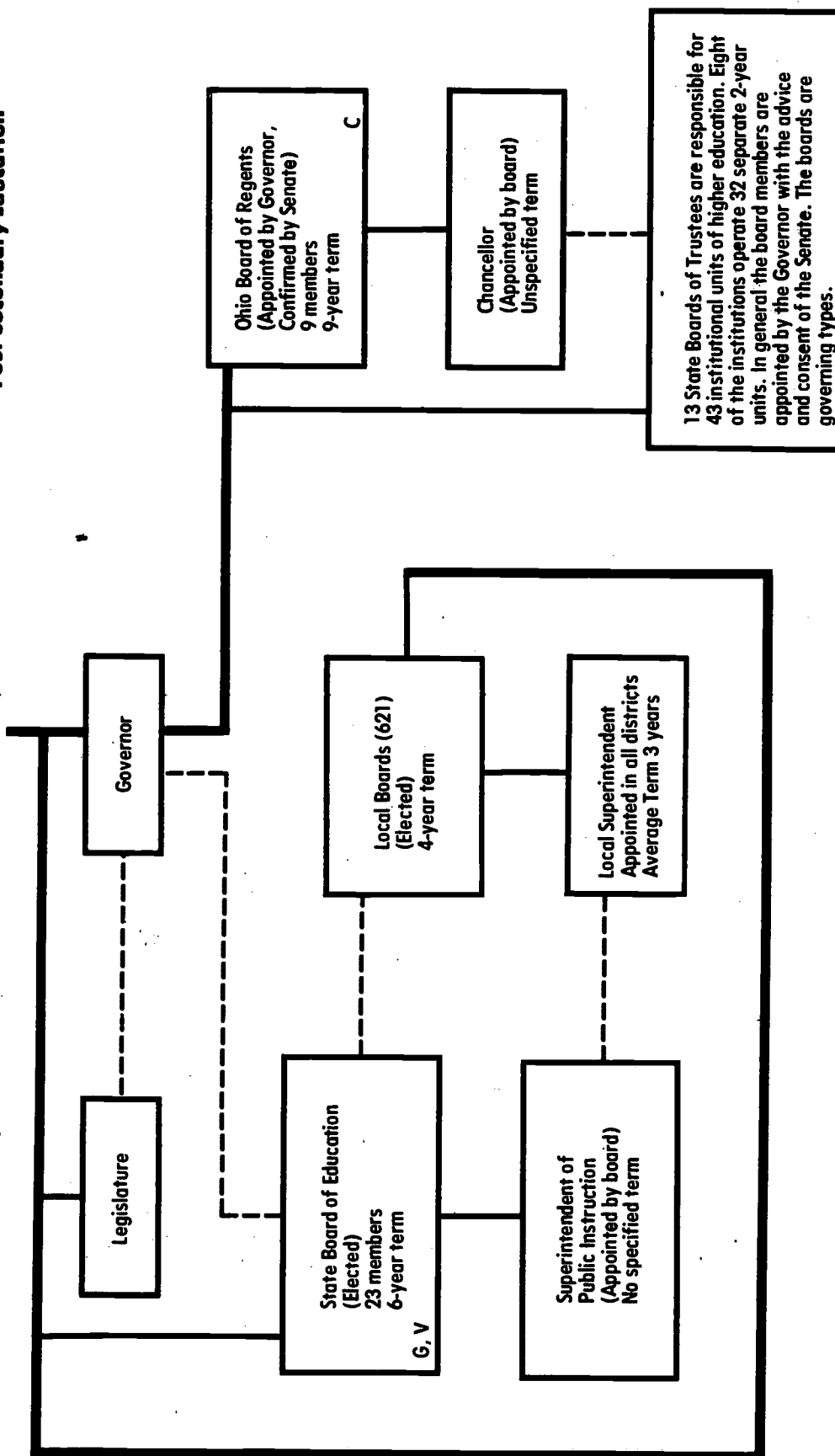
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G—Governing board
V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education
† Appointed by Governor
* Confirmed by Senate

OHIO

Post Secondary Education

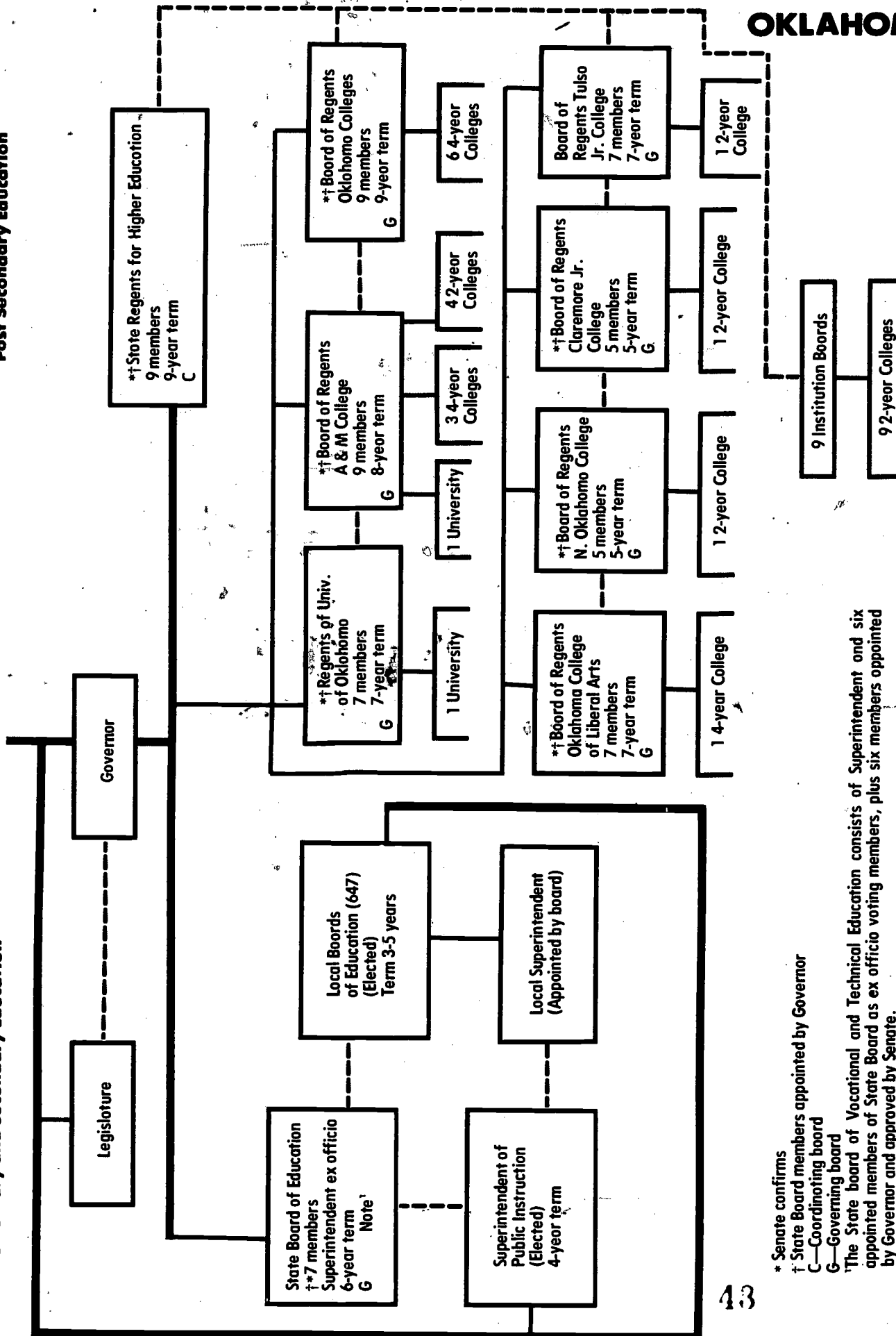
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Elementary and Secondary Education



C—Coordinating board
G—Governing board
V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education

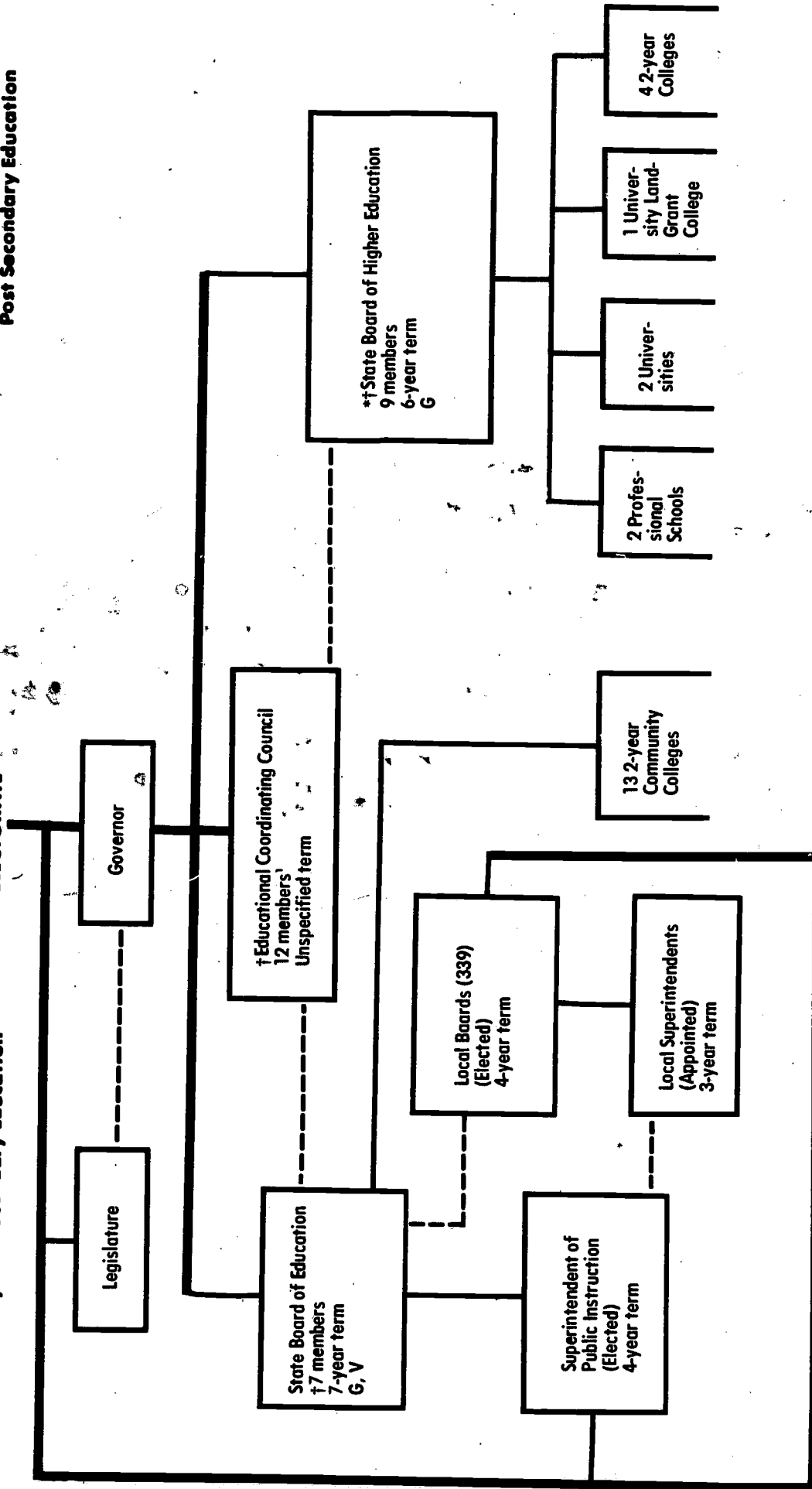
Post Secondary Education



OREGON

Elementary and Secondary Education

Post Secondary Education



¹Composed of educators, legislators, a student, & general public.
Deals with public & private sectors.

G—Governing board

C—Coordinating board

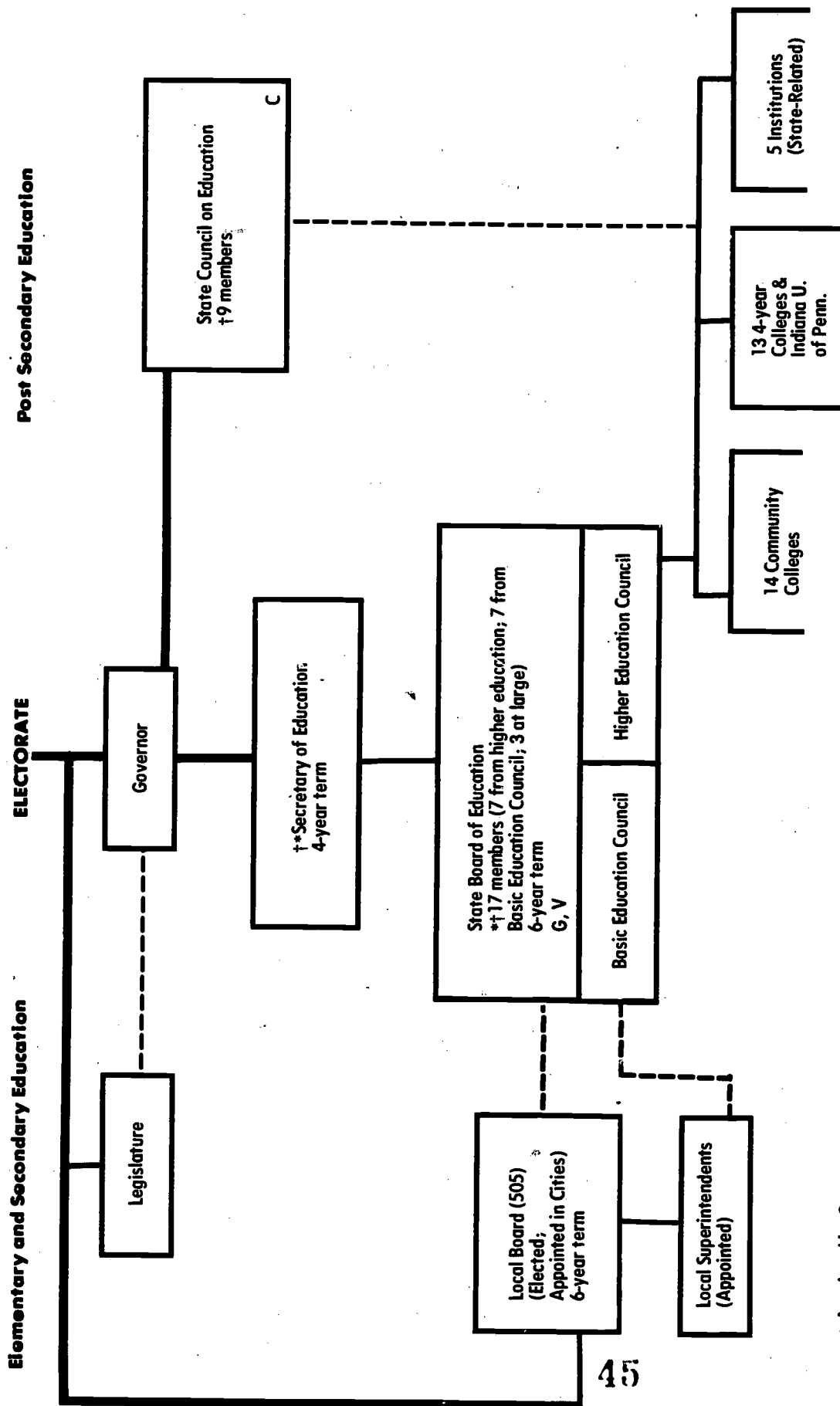
V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education

* Senate confirms

† Appointed by Governor

PENNSYLVANIA

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 G—Governing board
 C—Coordinating board
 V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education

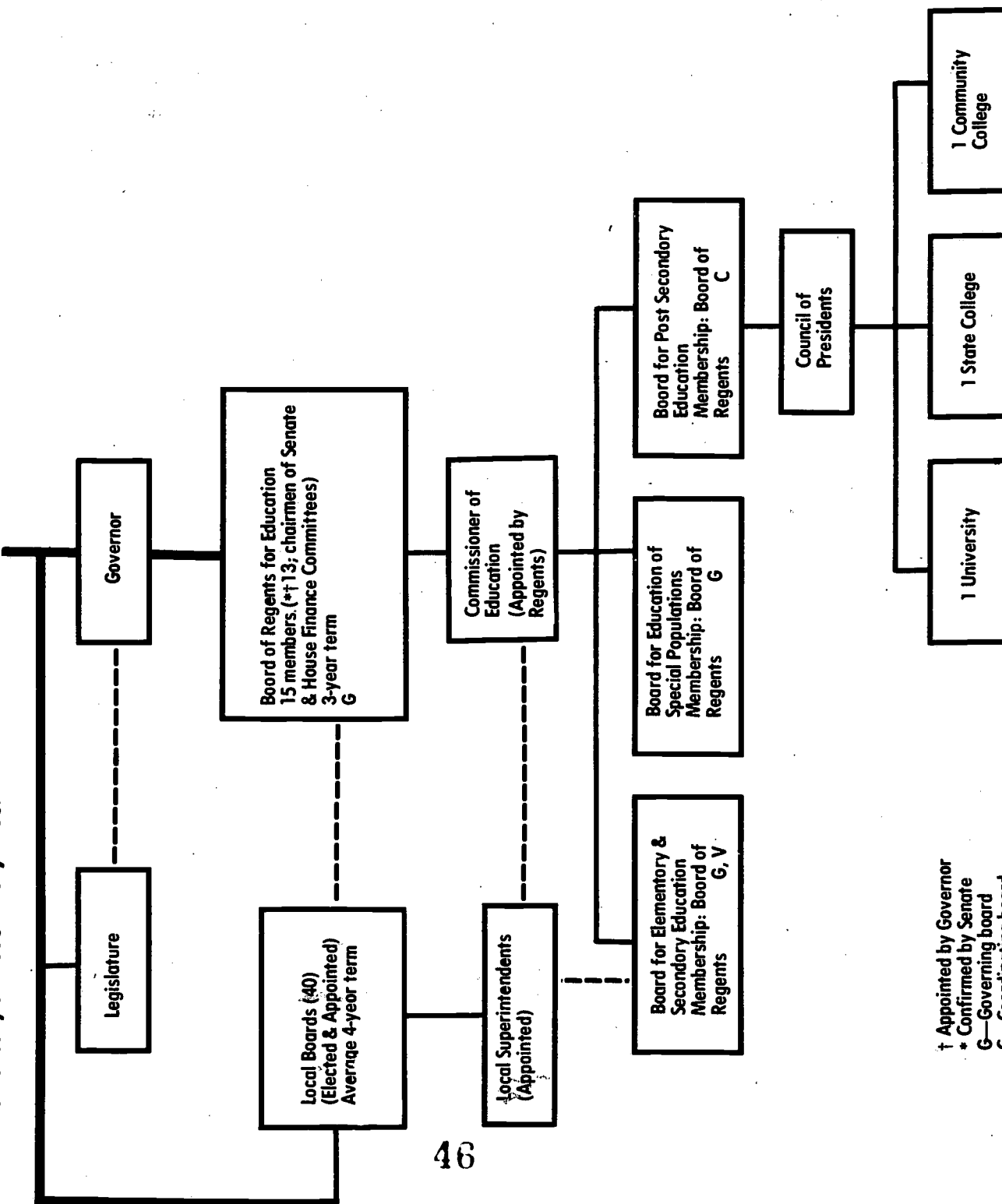
RHODE ISLAND

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Post Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Elementary and Secondary Education



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G—Governing board

C—Coordinating board

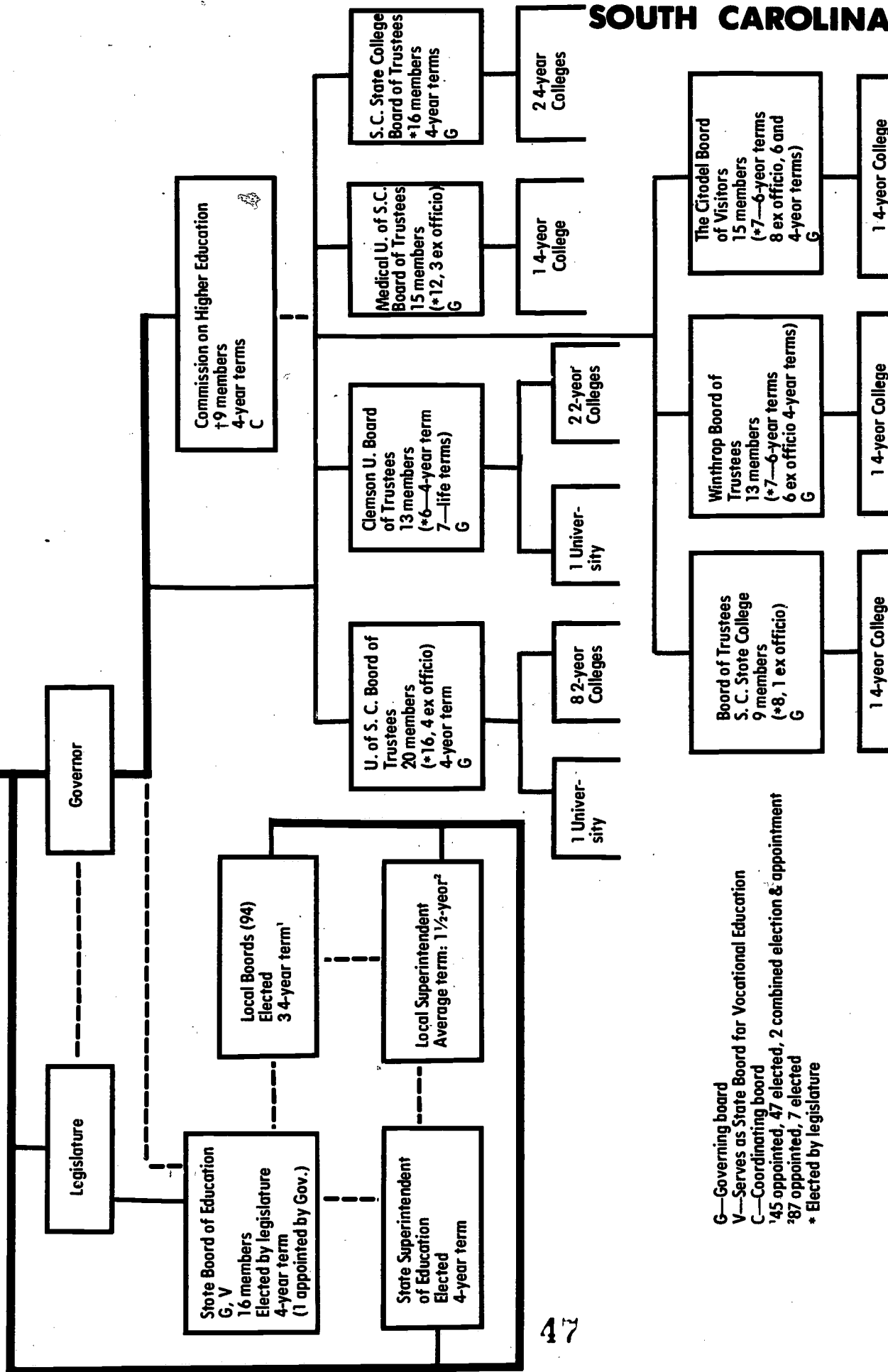
V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education

SOUTH CAROLINA

Elementary and Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Post Secondary Education



G—Governing board
V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education
C—Coordinating board
¹45 appointed, 47 elected, 2 combined election & appointment
²87 appointed, 7 elected
* Elected by legislature

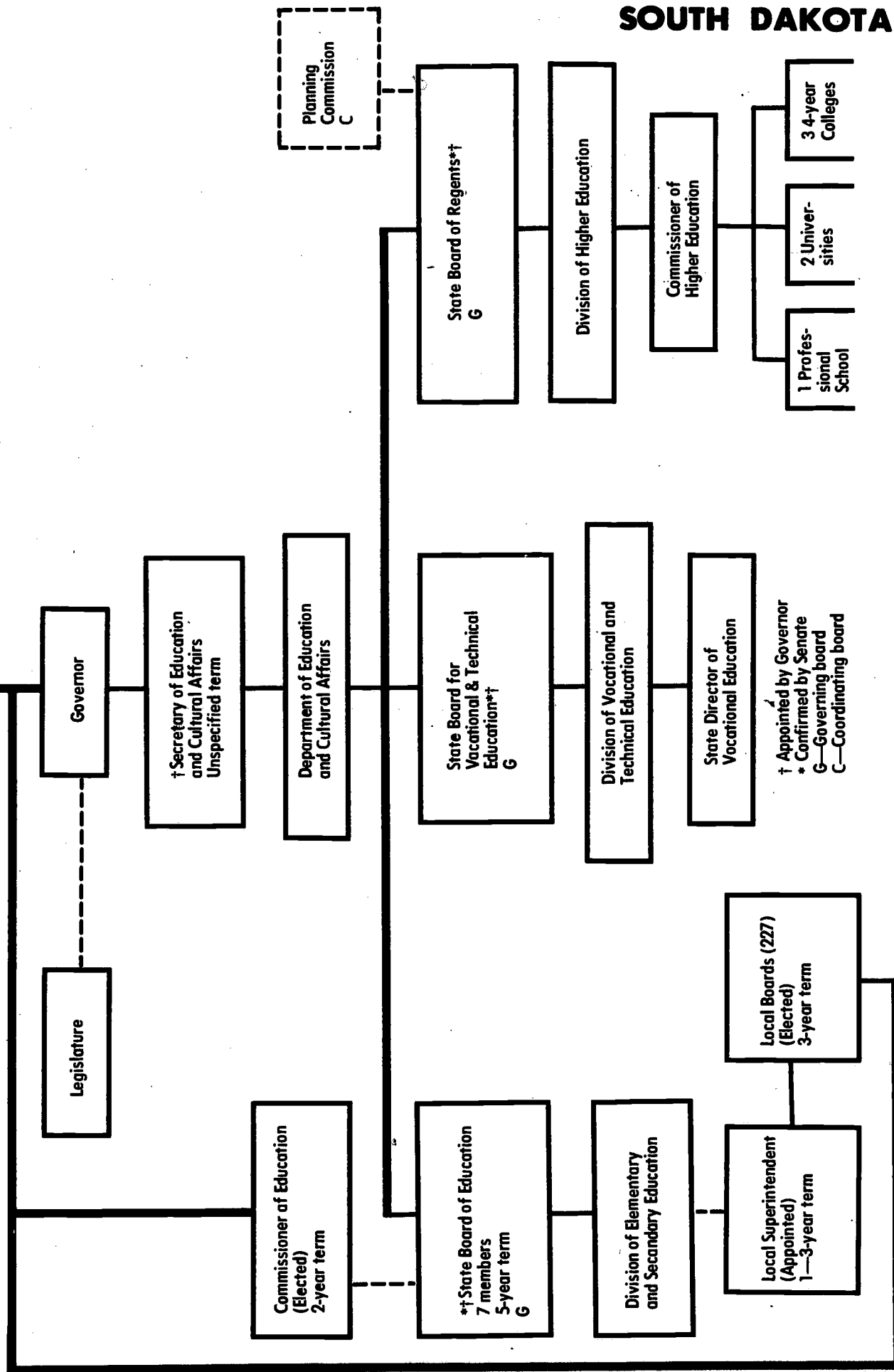
SOUTH DAKOTA

ELECTORATE

Elementary and Secondary Education

Post Secondary Education

SOUTH DAKOTA



† Appointed by Governor
* Confirmed by Senate
G—Governing board
C—Coordinating board

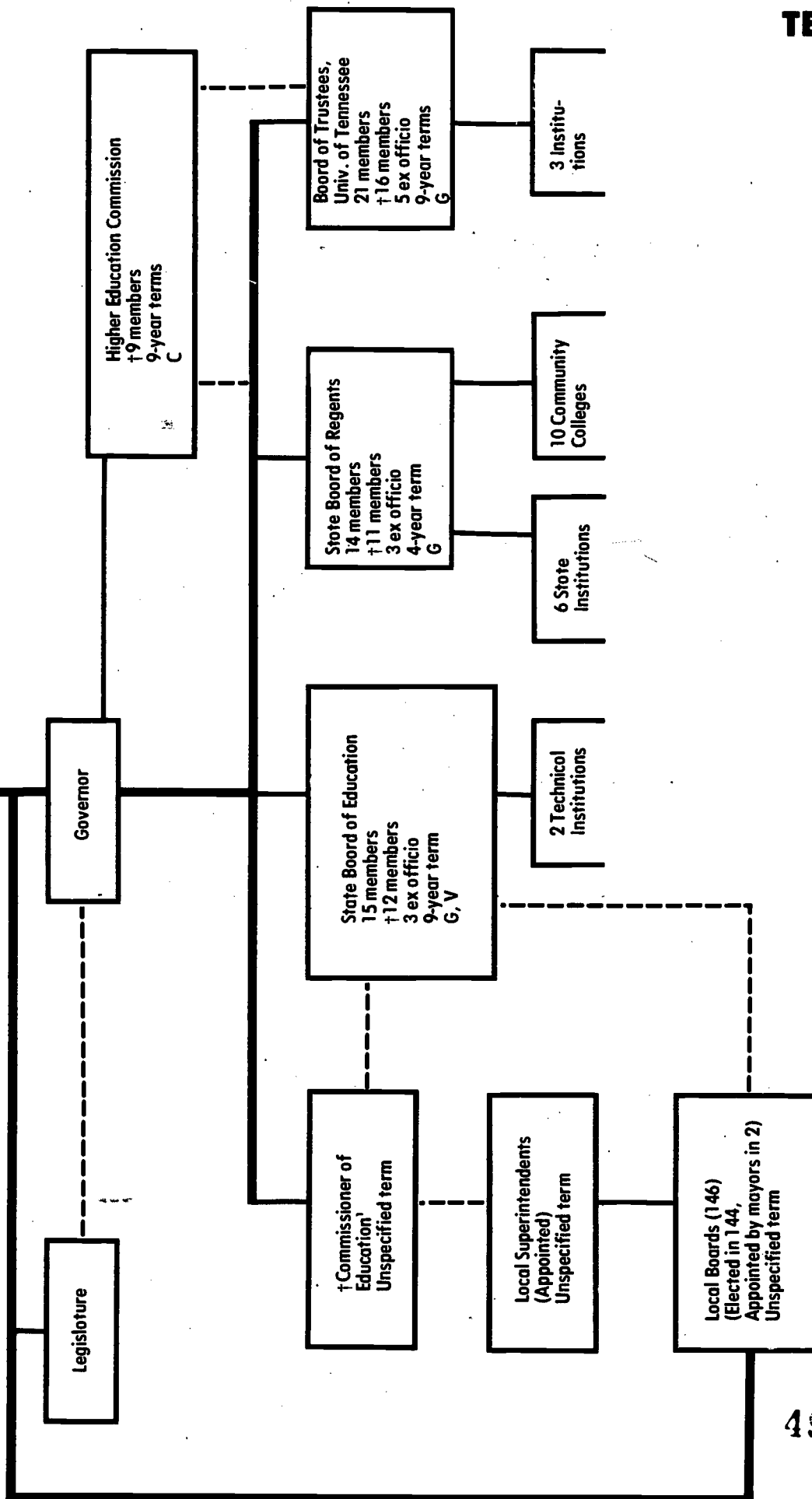
TENNESSEE

TENNESSEE

Post Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Elementary and Secondary Education



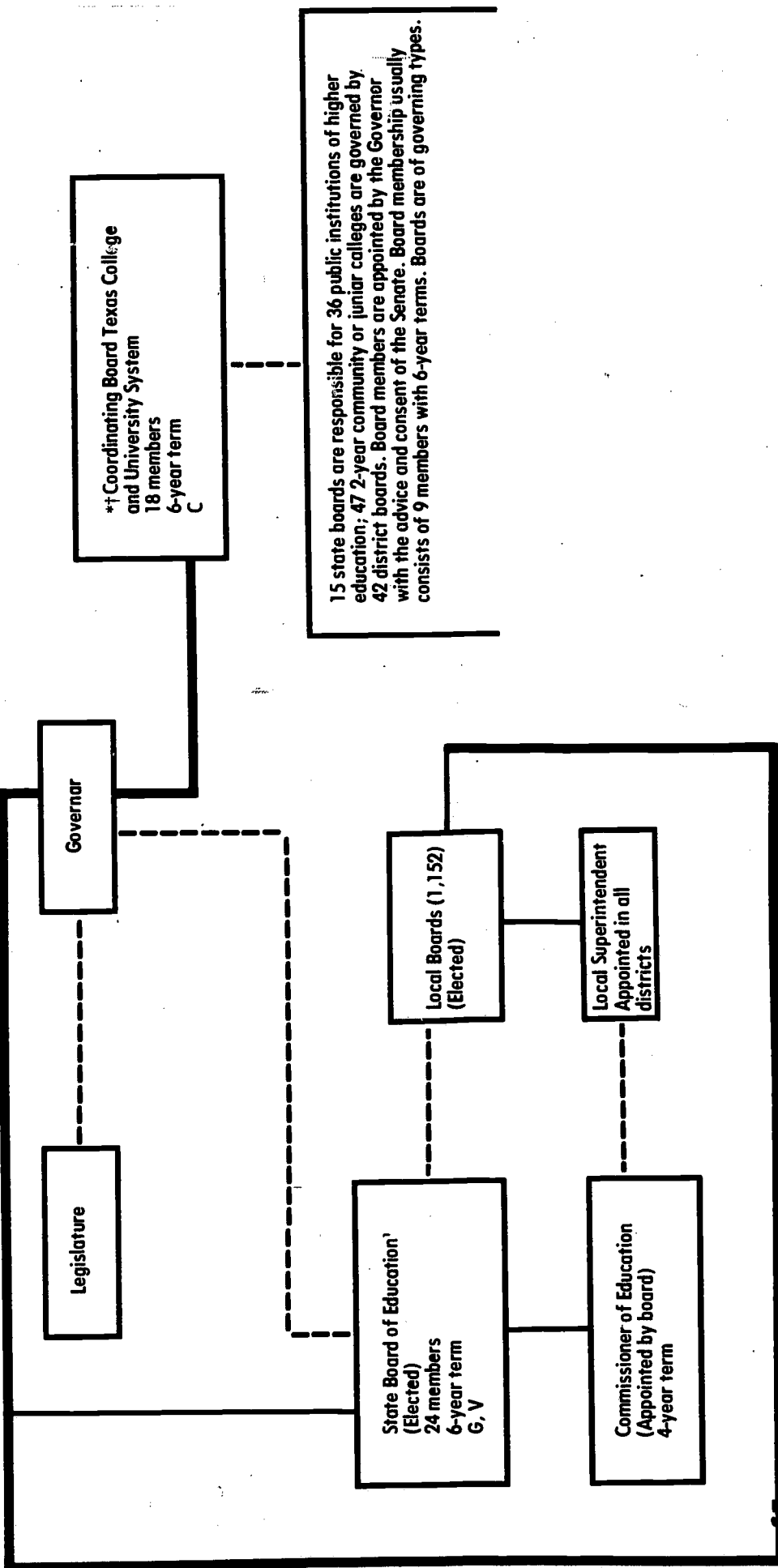
† Appointed by Governor
G—Governing board
C—Coordinating board
V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education
S—Serves as cabinet member

TEXAS

Post Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Elementary and Secondary Education



*State Board serves as one part of the Texas Education Agency. TEA also includes the State Board for Vocational Education, & State Commission of Education. The Commissioner of Education serves as executive officer of the TEA, and as executive secretary of the State Board of Education, and of the State Board for Vocational Education.

C—Coordinating board

G—Governing board

* Senate confirms

† State Board members appointed by Governor

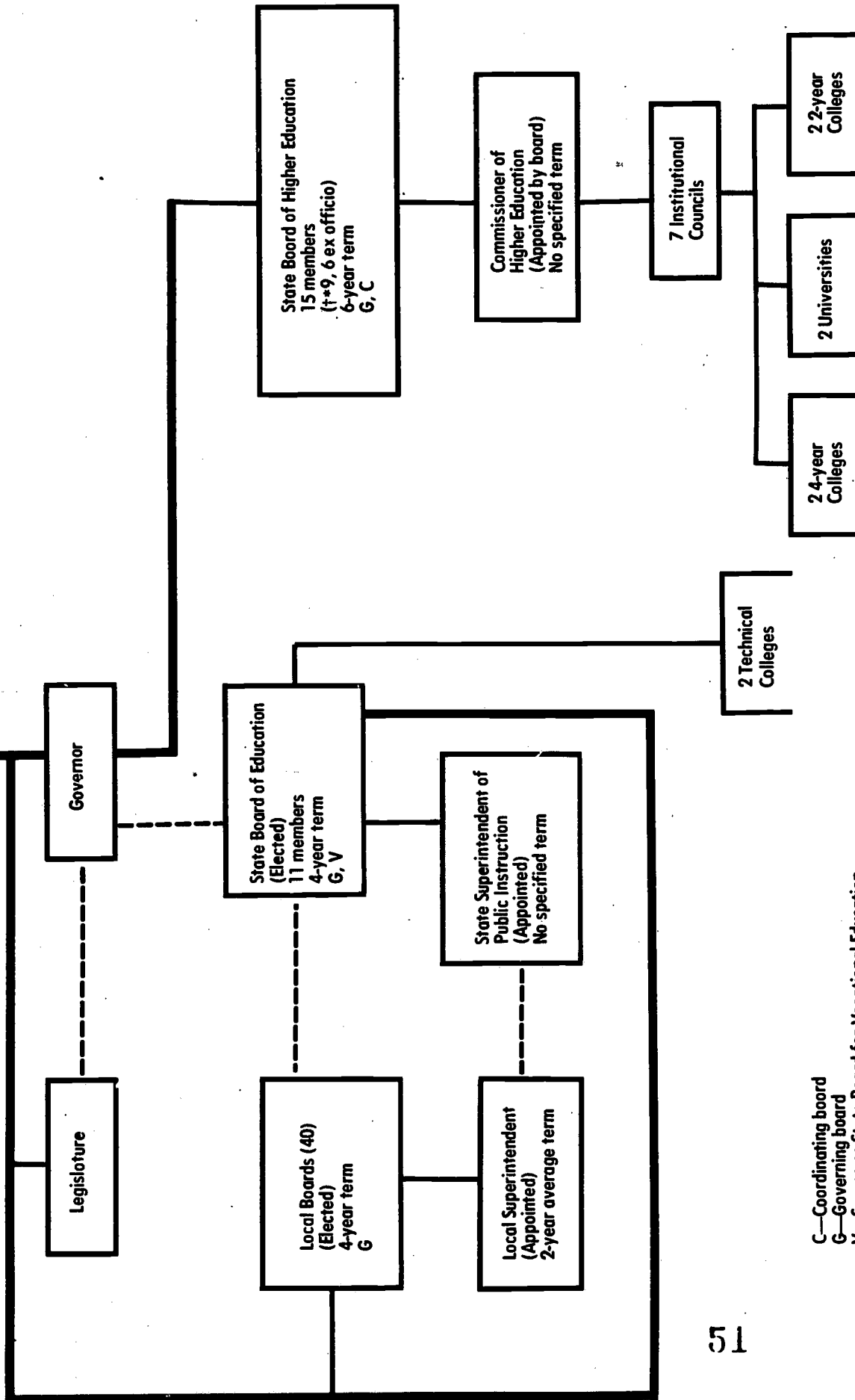
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Post Secondary Education

Elementary and Secondary Education

ELECTORATE



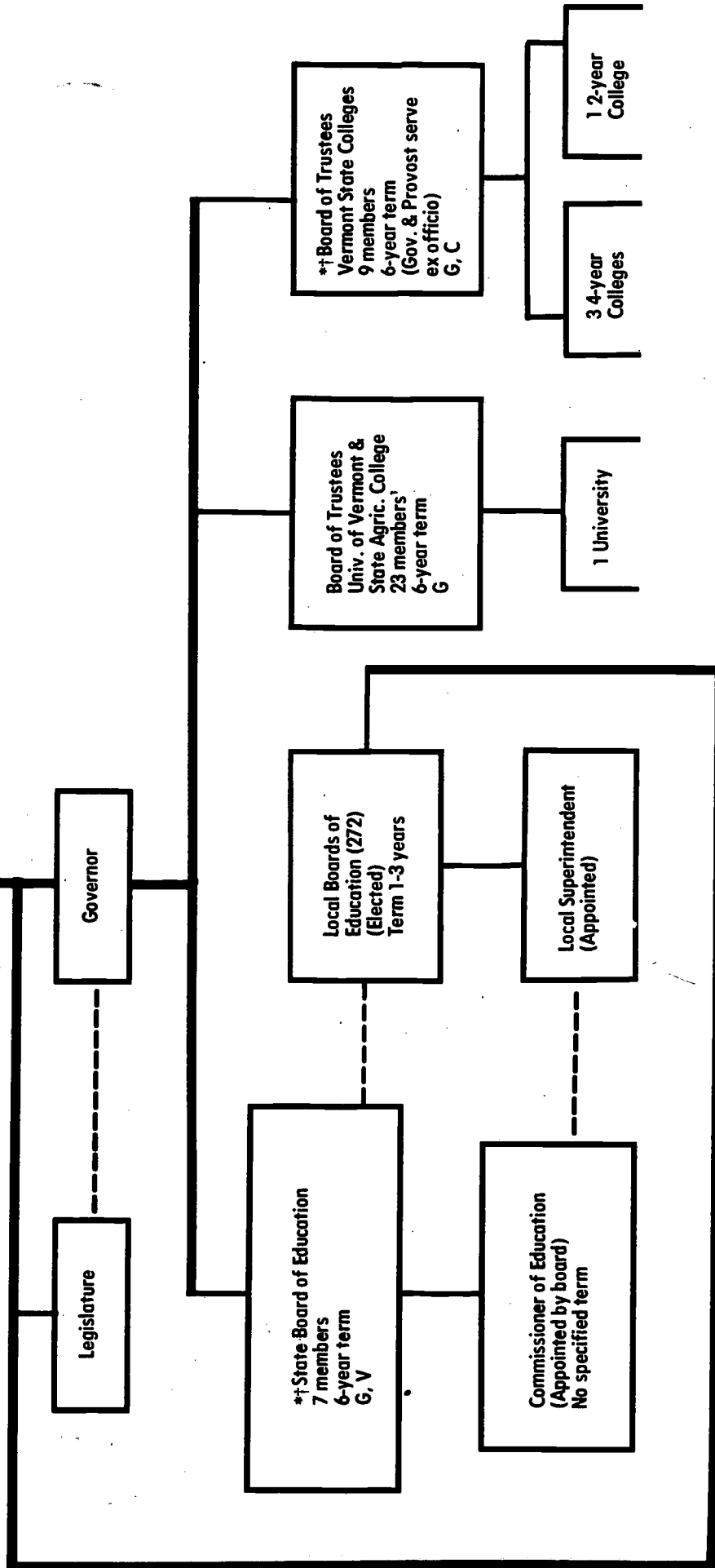
C—Coordinating board
G—Governing board
V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education
† Appointed by Governor
* Approved by Senate

VERMONT

Elementary and Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Post Secondary Education



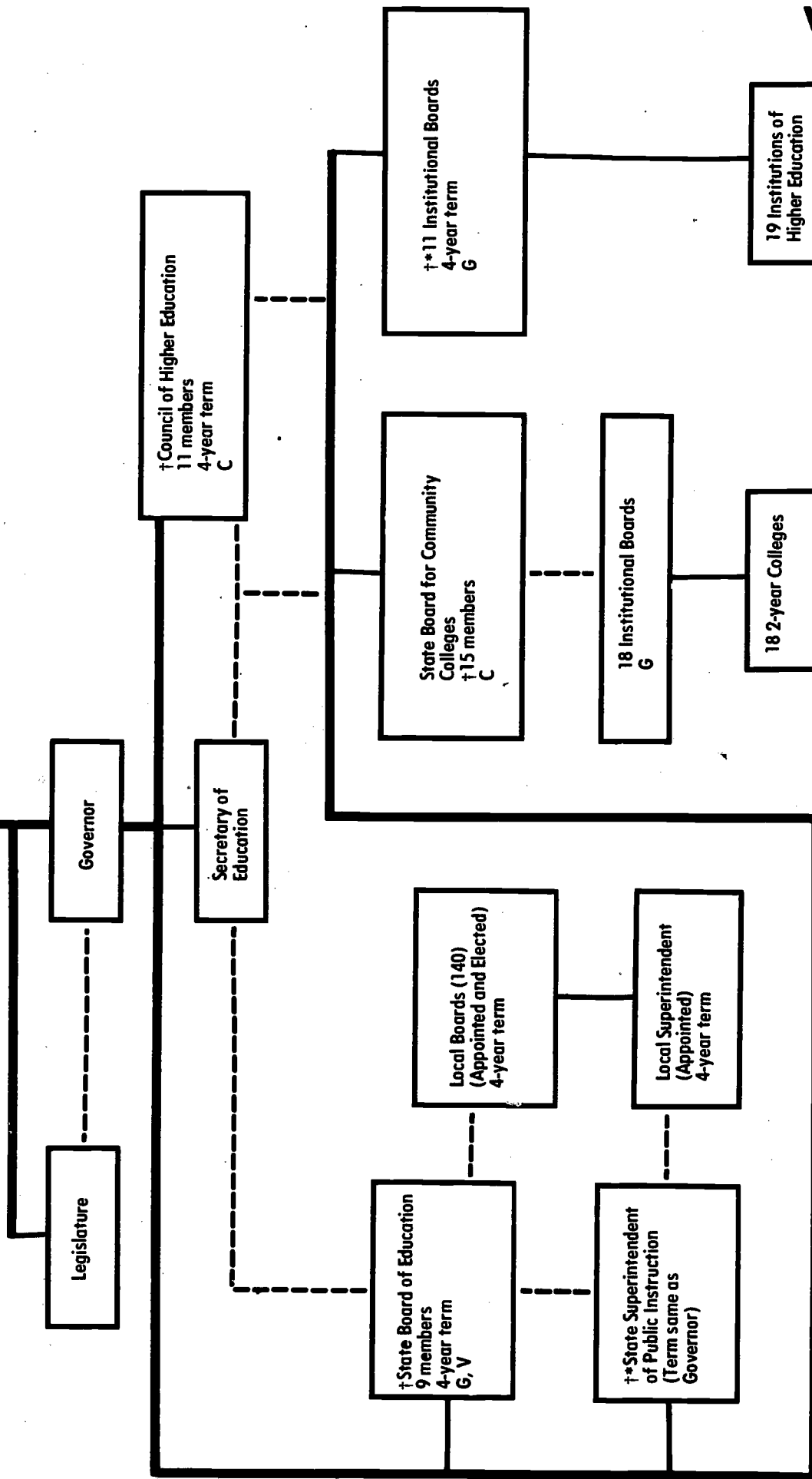
- * Senate confirms
- † State Board members appointed by Governor
- C—Coordinating board
- G—Governing board
- V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education
- 9 members elected by legislature; 3 appointed by Governor and confirmed by Senate;
- 2 ex officio; 9 self-perpetuating

VIRGINIA

Post Secondary Education

Elementary and Secondary Education

ELECTORATE



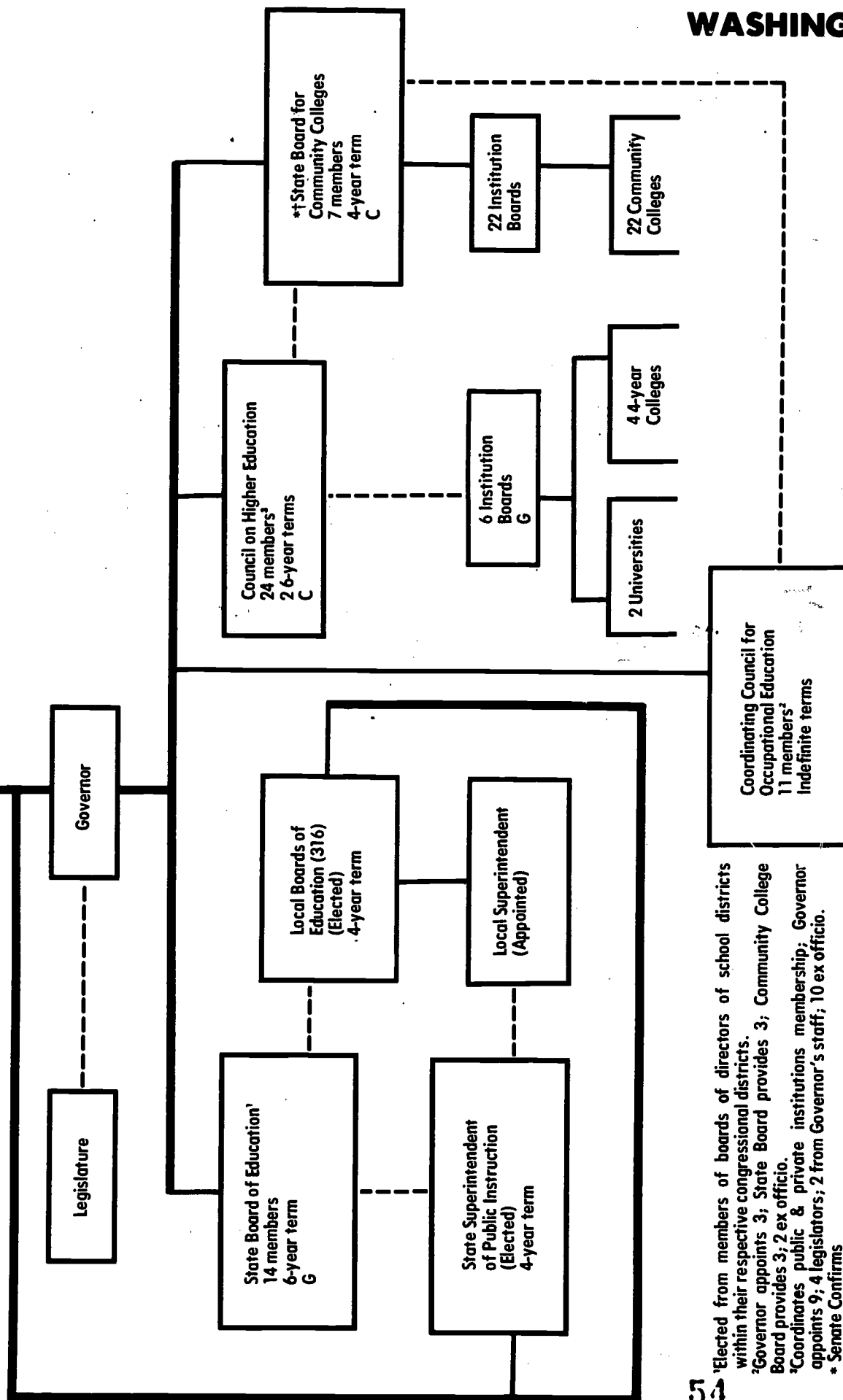
C—Coordinating board
G—Governing board
V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education
† Appointed by Governor
* Confirmed by General Assembly

WASHINGTON

Elementary and Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Post Secondary Education



¹Elected from members of boards of directors of school districts within their respective congressional districts.

²Governor appoints 3; State Board provides 3; Community College Board provides 3; 2 ex officio.

³Coordinates public & private institutions membership; Governor appoints 9; 4 legislators; 2 from Governor's staff; 10 ex officio.

* Senate Confirms

† State Board members appointed by Governor

C—Coordinating board

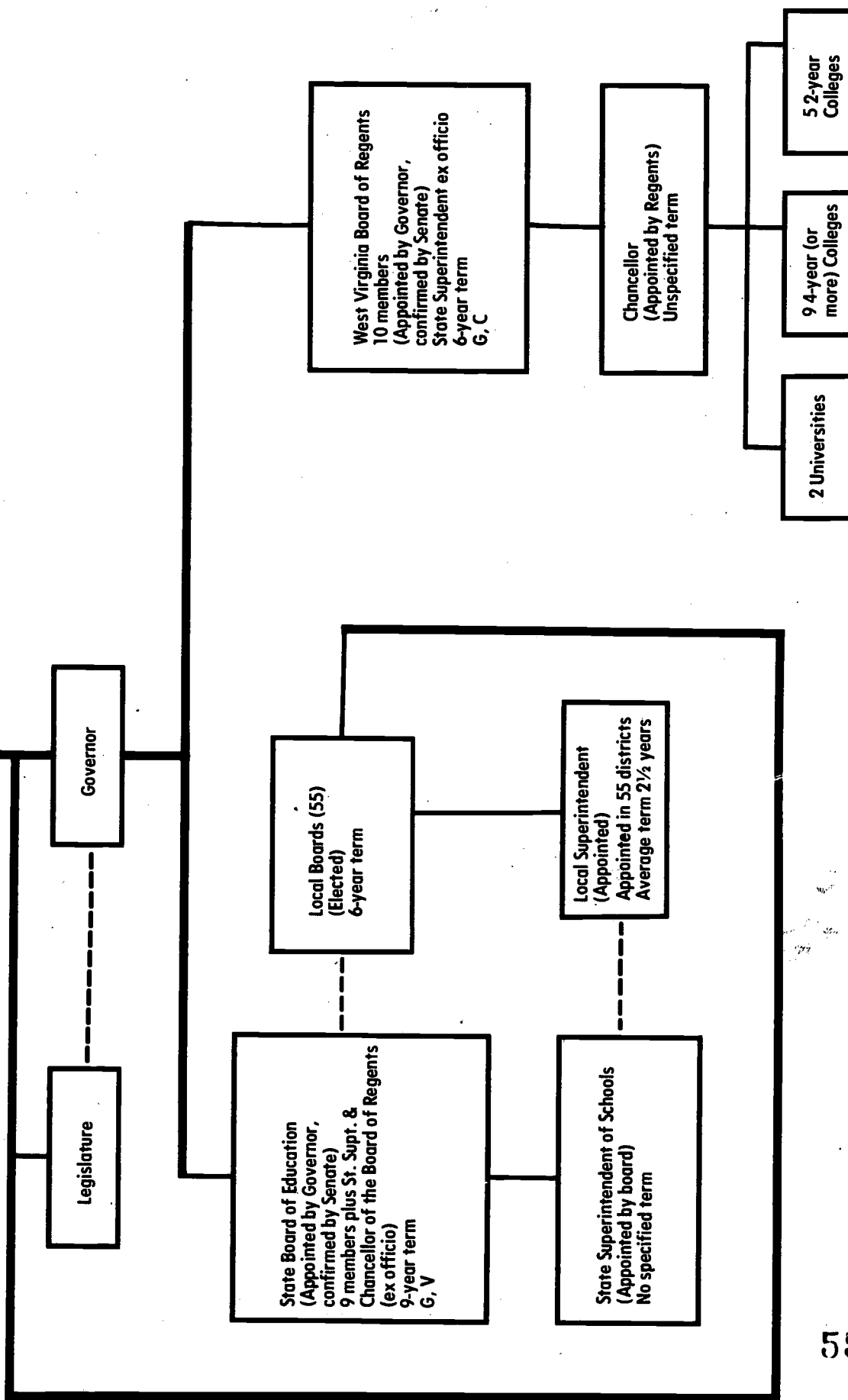
G—Governing board

WEST VIRGINIA

Elementary and Secondary Education

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Post Secondary Education



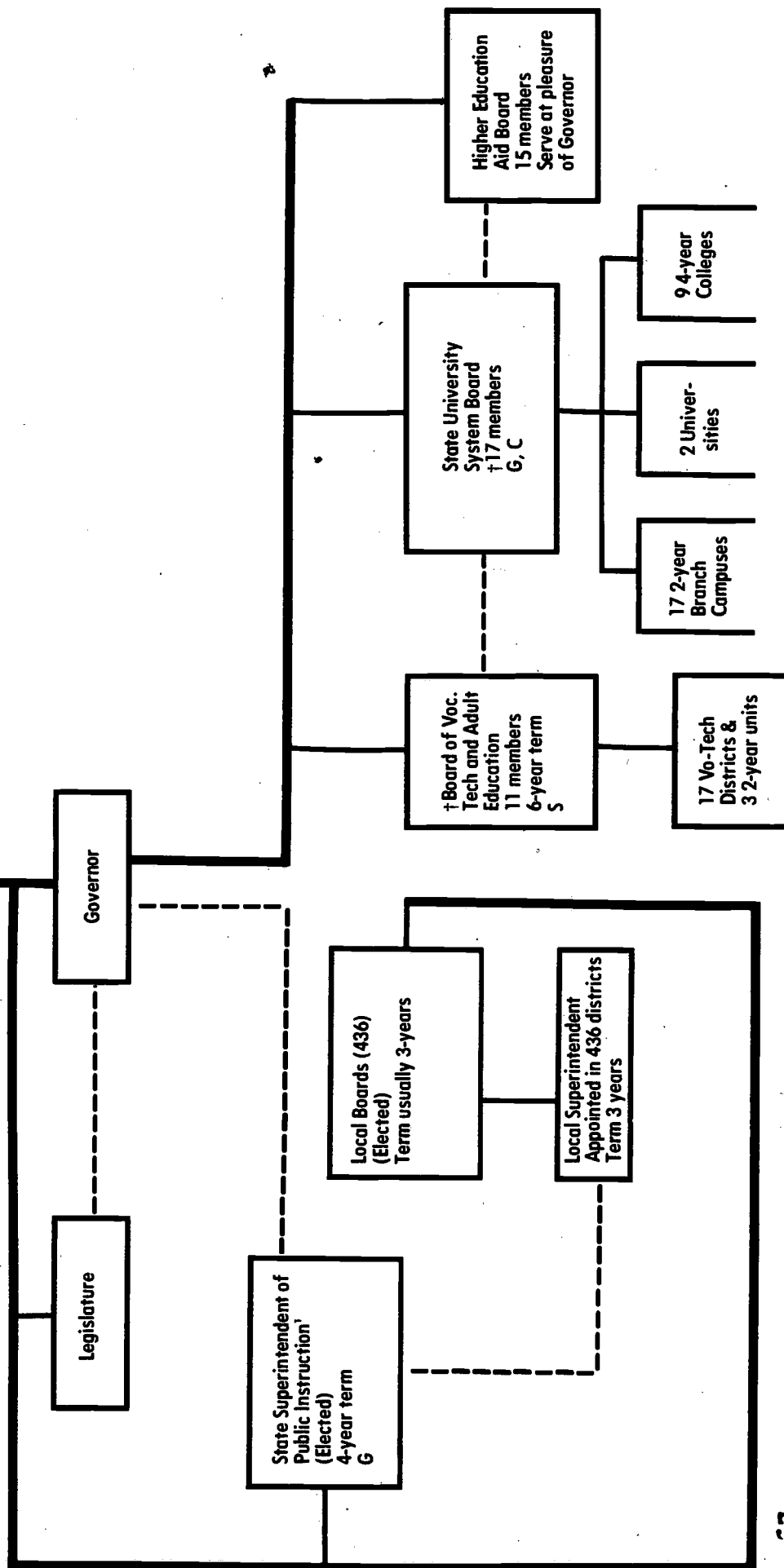
C—Coordinating board
G—Governing board
V—Serves as State Board for Vocational Education

WISCONSIN

Elementary and Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Post Secondary Education



C—Coordinating board
G—Governing board
S—Supervisory board
† No State Board of Education
* Senate Confirms
† State Board members appointed by Governor

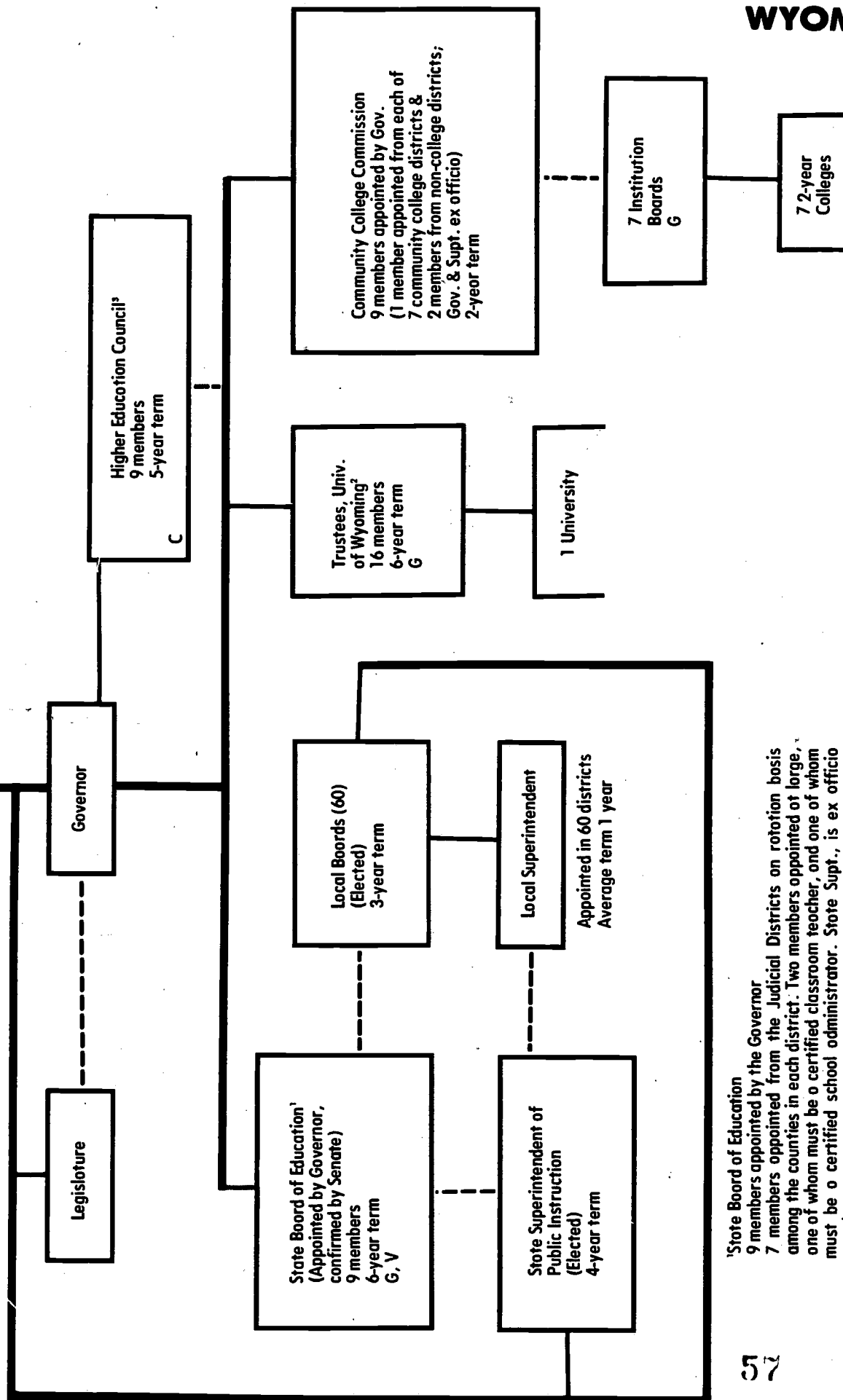
WYOMING

WYOMING

Elementary and Secondary Education

ELECTORATE

Post Secondary Education



¹State Board of Education
9 members appointed by the Governor
7 members appointed from the Judicial Districts on rotation basis among the counties in each district. Two members appointed of large, one of whom must be a certified classroom teacher, and one of whom must be a certified school administrator. State Supt., is ex officio member

²Governor appoints 12 members, the Gov., pres. of the univ., the State Superintendent, & the pres. of the Associated Students, Univ. of Wyoming are ex officio
C—Coordinating board
G—Governing board
V—State Board for Vocational Education